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In Edgartown on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. Mr,  
Daniel Fisher aged 77 years. He was  
a graduate of Brown University & the  
Harvard Medical School. He was also  
President of the Martha Vineyard & Fan  
Dance renator in the Massachusetts  
Legislator.

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CHARLES R. TUCKER

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to Geo W Adams

Journal of Bark President of New Bedford  
John Allen Charles Adams & George Wrote by George Wrote Adams



# Remarks on board of the Bark

Sea acct  
Tuesday

June 17<sup>th</sup> 1862.

this day begins with light & pleasant  
W.E. breezes weighed anchor, set all  
sail & steered through quicks hole, dischar-  
ged the Pilot at 2  $\frac{3}{4}$  P.M. at 3  $\frac{1}{4}$  P.M. took a  
S.W.W. wind, vessel heading W. by the wind, at  
7 P.M. tacked ship heading S.E. by S. wind S.W.  
set the watch in whale watches, Second  
point bearing N by E. by compass distant 7  
miles, several vessels in sight. Middle part  
fresh S.W. winds, took in some of the light  
sails. Latter part moderate & pleasant, stowed  
the chains & commenced getting the boats  
ready, saw 1 sail, ends steering S.E.

W.F.F.

Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>

Lat by Obs 39° 51' N

this day begins with moderate & pleasant  
S.W. winds, steering ship S.E. with nearly  
all sail set. all hands employed in getting  
the boats ready for whaling, saw Black-  
Fish & Porpoises going quick to windward  
middle part fresh breezes, steered S.E. at 11  
P.M. put one reef in the Topsails & furled the  
Mainsail & put the boats on the upper cranes  
Latter part chopple sea, at 9 P.M. set the main  
sail. the ships company doing sundry jobs,  
ends so.

Lat by Obs 38° 57' N

Long by Chro 67° 00' W

Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh S.W. breezes & rough  
sea, steering S.E. the watch employed on  
various kinds of work, saw 1 sail. middle part  
wind freshened & sea grew rough, at 1 P.M.  
took in Mainsail & Fore Topsail, at 6 P.M. set the  
Topsail, at 12 M. luffed to the wind, heading S.  
E. & closed reefed the Topsails & furled the Foresail  
considerable salt water on deck, & saw a sail

at 8 P.M. especially  
with rain



President of New Bedford, Benjn Gifford Master.

Friday June 20<sup>th</sup> 1862.

this day begins with strong S.W. winds, rough sea, with squally & rainy weather, ship heading S.E. with close reefed Topsails, Spencer & Staysail set. Middle part wind S.W. & fair weather, kept off steering E. & set the Foresail. Latter part the same. The watch at work on the cutting gear ends with one sail in sight Lat by obs 38° 00' N Long by chro 61° 00' W.

Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with strong S.W. winds & rough sea, weather fair, steering ship E by S. with the close reefed Topsails & Foresail set. The middle part more moderate sheek out the rups in the main topsail & on cut the fore set the main top of sail & jibs Latter part the same got the cutting gear ready set by obs 38° 20' N Long by chro 56° 30' W

Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with fresh S.W. winds steering E S E weather fair at 8 pm steering S E the middle part cloudy and a littel rain the latter clear with the wind to the westward whole topsails and main top of sail jibs in Lat by obs 38° 10' N Long by chro 53° 05' W

Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a whole sail breeze from the W steering S E the middle part light breeze and clear the latter part employed patching on chopping gear & lashing up the spare spars &c.

Lat by obs 37° 25' N  
Long by chro 50° 00' W

J. N. & CO.,



Remarks on board of the Bark

Sund  
Tuesday

June the 24<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light and pleasant breeze wind W steering S E by E the latter part light breeze from the S W the latter part wind west employed.

Setting taught the head rigging &c  
lat by obs 36° 54' N  
long by Chron 45° 24' W

Wednesday

June the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze from the N E steering E by S with all

Sail set at 5 p m wind E S E Ship heading S E by the Wind the middle part spally took in the light sails single reef the topsails & hauled up the mainsail at 3 a m strong breeze & raining the latter part set the mainsail & Gib lat by obs 36° 30' N

Thursday

June the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze from the E S E heading S E by the Wind at 3 p m shook out the reefs & set the fly jib & gaff top sail the middle part light breeze heading S E by E

the latter part saw grasshoppers employed about the rigging lat by obs 35° 35' N

long by Chron 46° 40' W

Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a bit air main top top sail set all hands employed heaving out & setting taut the main top & back stays & serving the ends the middle part light air & carries one sail in sight the latter part broke out another & small stores two sails in sight lat 34° 00' N

long by obs 46° 13' W



President of New Bedford Benjer Gifford & Master

Sea account Saturday June the 28<sup>th</sup> 1862,

this day begins with light airs ship heading  
S E by compass at 1 p m saw a sail the middle  
part the same at 7 a m saw two sails  
employed about the rig in latter part strong  
whole sail breeze ship heading E S E wind

Lat by obs 34° 46'

Long by obs 49° 34' W

Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze ship  
heading S E by steering by the wind at 9 p m  
saw blackfish toward the harbor & twist  
beant know success at 6 p m took shape  
the middle part heading N N E steering  
the latter part light fair lat by obs 35° 19' N

Bark Lat by obs 49° 01' W

Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs at 3 p m  
calm the middle part light breeze from the  
S W steering N E & cloudy the latter  
part strong breeze the ship company em-  
ployed about different jobs sent down  
the main top of yard and put on  
new jaws ends so lat by obs 36° 14' N

Long by obs 48° 44' W

Sea account

Tuesday July the 1<sup>st</sup> 1862

this day begins with a strong S W breeze  
steering N E & quite raged sent up the main  
top of yard at 3 p m squally and raining at  
7 p m put on reef in the topsails & pulled the  
light sails middle part squally with some  
rain the latter part sheeted out the reef in  
the all top sail & set the all top of sail  
with fine weather & light breeze

Lat by obs 37° 47' N

Long by obs 42° 47' W

Journal of Bark B B



Remarks on board the Black President  
Sea account

Wednesday July the 2<sup>d</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light breeze from  
steering E by N watch employed setting taut  
the 11<sup>th</sup> top mast & 11<sup>th</sup> top of back stays  
at sunset took in sail to single reef top  
sails & fore sail the middle part strong  
breeze from the S W the latter part fore  
sail in sight ends so lat by obs 38° 42' S  
long by obs 40° 28' W

Thursday the 3<sup>d</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze star-  
ing E by N one vessel in sight at sun-  
set took in sail & light to the north  
on the starboard tack wind W the middle  
part the same at daylight made  
sail the latter part saw phinbacks  
and peruses two vessels in sight ends so  
Lawrence Parker took off duty sick ~~with the measles~~  
lat by obs 38° 10' S  
long by obs 39° 28' W

Friday the 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze  
from the N steering by the wind  
heading E N E on the starboard tack  
crusing same peruses at sunset took  
in sail the middle part the same at  
daylight made sail two sails in sight  
latter part more moderate watch to  
work about different jobs & ends —  
Chace off duty sick with the measles  
lat by obs 38° 30' S  
long by obs 39° 01' W

Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light winds from  
the N N E on the starboard tack heading  
N W at sunset took in sail the middle  
part the same at daylight made sail latter part

Two sails in  
sight ends so  
lat by obs 38° 30' S  
long by obs 39° 50' W



of New Bedford Benja Gifford & Master

Sea account

Sunday

July the 6<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a strong breeze from the N  
steering E S E at sunset took in sail the mid-  
dle part the same the latter part light  
breeze from the N W wind so Lawrence  
Parkinson on duty lat by obs  $39^{\circ} 36' N$   
long by chron  $35^{\circ} 58' W$

Monday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the  
N W steering E S E with considerable  
swell from the N W at sunset took in  
sail the middle part wind S W at day-  
light made sail the watch employed the  
latter part strong breeze & rugged  
Chace is better ends lat by obs  $39^{\circ} 41' N$   
long by chron  $35^{\circ} 23' W$

Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
from the S W & rugged steering S E  
saw a vessel watch employed at sunset  
took in sail close up topsails & kept  
tack the wind heading S S E the middle  
part squally & raining at daylight light  
breeze saw the islands of Carriacou & Plour  
bearing S E the latter part steering  
E S E between the two islands ends so  
I one steamer lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 40' N$   
long by chron  $38^{\circ} 15' W$

Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the  
S W at half past two o'clock distant  
from vessel 1 mile saw 3 sails at  
sunset took in sail steering N E the  
middle the same at daylight made sail saw  
phosphates & sulphur bottoms the latter part  
thick fog ends so lat by obs  $40^{\circ} 55' N$   
long by chron  $38^{\circ} 23' W$



# Remarks on board the Dart

sea and  
Thursday

July the 10<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a light wind from the S W steering E & E foggy saw porpoises the watch employed the middle part clear the latter part foggy with some rain ends so lat by obs 42° 13' N long by chron 2839 W

Friday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from the W S W steering E & E foggy with light showers of rain the watch employed the middle part the same strong breeze at daylight strong breezes under reef topsails saw porpoises the latter part the same ends so lat by obs 43° 38' N long by chron 2648 W

Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze & rapid steering E & E at sunset close reef the topsails & parted the fore sail & kept to on the port tack heading S W by the wind the middle part the same the latter part foggy & rainy saw porpoises ends so lat by obs 44° 00' N long by chron 2607 W

Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes heading S W foggy saw porpoises at 2 p.m. set the fore sail saw two sails go to the eastward at sunset took in sail at daylight set the fore sail & mainsail at 7 A.M. wore ship heading S W by W saw a school of blunt nose grampuses one vessel in sight ends so lat by obs 45° 28' N long by chron 2616 W



President of New Bedford Herring Sifters Master

Journal

Monday July the 14<sup>th</sup> 1862.

this day begins with a strong E. W. breeze  
heading N. S. W. by compass saw porpoises  
& grampuses & one vessel at sunset took in  
sail the middle part the same at daylight  
made sail the latter part saw grampuses  
ends so

lat. by obs 44° 46' N  
long by the 25 18 W

Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from the S. E.  
heading E by the wind at sunset took in sail  
light air & haze till the same the latter  
part haze & strong breezes split the fleet  
the employed breaking out saw porpoises  
ends so

lat by obs 45° 32' N  
long by the 25 18 W

Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze  
from the S. S. E. heading E at sunset  
took in sail the middle part gally  
& raining wind west at daylight made  
sail thick fog steering S latter  
part the same the watch employed  
about different jobs ends so lat by obs 45° 01' N

long by the 24 18 W

Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
from the W. steering S S E saw porpoises  
& two vessels thick fog & raining the middle  
part the same latter part steering S by  
E saw one vessel watch employed about  
different work ends so lat by obs 43° 46' N

long by obs 22° 10' W



# Remarks on board the Bark

sea account

Friday July the 18<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a pleasant breeze from the S by E steering S by E the middle part light and at 6 o'clock saw two sails wind N<sup>W</sup> S<sup>W</sup> the the same repaired the fly jib.

Chase on duty was so lat by obs 22<sup>00</sup> long by Chro 26<sup>00</sup> W

Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> S<sup>W</sup> steering S by E the middle part light breeze the latter part put hats on the foredeck & waist boats ends so lat by obs 4<sup>00</sup> W

long by Chro 18<sup>46</sup> W

Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs from the eastward steering S S E saw phinbacks & grampuses the middle part fresh breeze the latter part took in the light sails saw a seal & one phinback ends so lat by obs 8<sup>24</sup> W

long by Chro 22<sup>03</sup> W

Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from E by E on Sissel in sight the middle part strong breeze wind at E the latter part raged & smoky weather saw two sails ends so lat by obs 8<sup>30</sup> W

long by Chro 44<sup>37</sup> W

Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze & raged wind S E steering by the wind heaving E S E under easy sail the middle part more moderate the latter part each employed about different work ends so

Lat by obs 33<sup>50</sup> N  
long by Chro 12<sup>58</sup> W



President of New Bedford Fishing Gifford Martin's  
account

Wednesday July the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1862

This day begins with strong breeze from  
the N.E. Steering by the wind heading  
E.S.E. saw fisherries at sunset took in  
sail the middle part more moderate  
at daylight made sail the latter part  
pleasant breeze & hazy water employed  
ends so

Lat by obs 35° 36' N  
Long by Chron 11° 14' W

Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze  
steering S.E. by compass the middle part  
more moderate the latter part light  
airs & hazy water employed on different  
kinds of work ends so

Lat by obs 34° 40' N  
Long by Chron 9° 24' W

Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light airs from  
the N.E. steering E.S.E. the middle  
part the same the latter part the  
wind eastward saw on sail water  
employed on different kinds of work  
ends so

Lat by obs 34° 22' N  
Long by Chron 15° 30' W

Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze from  
the N heading E by it at sunset took  
in sail middle part no ship at daylight  
were back & made sail the latter part light  
airs heading E ends so

Lat by obs 34° 18' N  
Long by Chron 01° 28' W

Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze heading  
E.S.E. on sail at 6 1/2 p.m. saw the land at  
sunset took in sail & headed of shore saw  
a fire on shore the middle part light airs  
at daylight made sail the latter part calm thro  
the day

Lat by obs 34° 00' N  
Long by Chron 00° 00' W



Remarks on board the Duke president

Sea account

Monday July the 28<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with slight air the  
Ship heading E at 2 p.m. saw the Island  
horizon hazy saw porpoises & schools of fish  
at 3 p.m. the Ship heading N.W. By the  
wind at sunset took in sail the middle  
part the same at daylight made sail  
at 6 a.m. the Ship heading E by the wind  
the latter part saw porpoises the watch  
employed ends so lat by obs 38° 57' N  
long by chron 154° 44'

Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
at 2 p.m. saw the land at sunset  
the Ship & shoten sail saw fish in  
sight the middle part the same the  
latter part saw a sail the watch  
employed ends so lat by obs 38° 12' N  
long by chron 154° 11'

Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
steering by the wind heading N.W.  
at 2 p.m. the ship heading E by  
at 2 sails in sight grampuses at  
sunset took in sail the middle part  
pleasant at daylight made sail land in  
sight at half past 8 a.m. saw sperm  
whales to the windward at half past 9  
a.m. saw all the boat & went to  
the windward at 8 a.m. the starboard  
boat struck the waist & larboard boat  
struck the starboard boat got two  
the larboard boat on the waist caught two  
two sails in sight saw a sail by obs 38° 11' N  
long by chron 154° 11'

was only  
raised  
these whales



# of New Bedford Whaling Shipper Master

Account

Thursday July the 31<sup>st</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light breeze at 4 P.M. I got the whales along side & went to cutting out in tow the middle part. Pleasant employed in cutting up blubber & getting ready for boiling the middle part the same at 12 P.M. I got at 5 P.M. called all hands & went to cutting at half past 6 got breakfast at half past 11 got three cutting ends so lot by the long by the 11

Friday August the 1<sup>st</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light air at 3 P.M. started the workers all hands to work clearing away junk, jaws & cases at sunset all clear set the watch the barboard watch on deck took out some castles out the blubber room oil castles the middle part fresh breeze at 6 P.M. I got saw sperm whales at quarter to 4 toward the barboard & waist boat they struck 5 & got 2 the waist boat had her line bitten off twice & then lost it by another whale the barboard boat got stove twice the last time Mr Russell got hurt inwardly & went on the board he came on board & went below the employed in getting the whales along side & boiling. So End 5<sup>th</sup>

Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with light E. S. E. breeze all hands employed in boiling & cutting the whales along side saw two sails middle part fresh breeze & calms latter part calm ship heading all round saw porpoises ends so

Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with calm & pleasant weather all hands employed in boiling & cutting in the 2 whales that we got yesterday Mr Russell on deck

Capt. Lufford raised this

Amiable heart full kindness and sympathy  
Mostly pleasant breeze but some unfavorable days



# Remarks on board the Warble

Sea account

Monday August the 4<sup>th</sup> 1869

this day begins with light air from  
points of the compass vessel taking  
various under short sail all hands employed  
in boiling at 2 p m the fore lighted saw  
greenness middle part nearly calm at 1 o'clock  
finished boiling latter part foggy with light  
south air steering S. E & washed off ship  
ends so land observed at by ab 3458 d<sup>7</sup>  
Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air saw  
porpoises all hands employed getting  
the boats ready & driving oil at  
sunset were ship & took in sail land  
about 8 or ten miles off the middle part  
the same at sunrise went to breaking  
out to stow down the oil saw porpo  
ises the land 8 miles off lat by ab 34 44 d<sup>7</sup>  
Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
from the N. steering by the wind  
heading N. W. employed in stow  
ing down the middle part fresh breeze  
the latter part all hands stowing down  
wind S. E ship heading S. W. by ab  
S. E at 11 finished stowing down  
of the oil ends so lat by ab 34 41 d<sup>7</sup>

I mended the fore boat

Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breeze from  
the S. E ship heading S. E employed  
in stowing off the hold at sunset finished  
stowing down the light stuff ship head  
ing S. E by ab the middle part heading  
S. W the latter part employed washing  
ship all hands at 10 o'clock lat by ab 35 01 d<sup>7</sup>  
out so  
long the 0920 d<sup>7</sup>



President of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Friday

Capt Gifford raised the anchor

August the 8th

This day begins with fresh breeze from the N.E. at 1 p.m. the ship heading E by S compass at 5 P.M. saw saw sperm whales towards the Starboard & waist boats the waist boat got on the starboard boat struck one hit a lean & cut up at 7 p.m. took the whale along side & lay aback whale all round at sunset the middle part the wind S.E. got ready for cutting at sunrise began too but at 7 o'clock got through cutting the latter part was ship land in sight and made sail & started the works clear away the head & cut up the flubber ends so lat by clock 3.50 o'clock we ran on duty long by clock 4.00

Saturday the 9th

This day begins with slight breeze from the N.E. at 1 p.m. the ship heading N.W. saw hammers & porpoises at 6 p.m. the ship heading E & took in sail breeze freshened the middle part the same ship heading S.E. finished cutting at 4 o'clock made 14 bbls the latter part washed off the ship saw the land 20 miles off fish boat in sight steering different courses ends so lat by clock 3.50 o'clock long by clock 4.00

Sunday the 10th

This day begins with fresh breeze saw two vessels ran a line for the waist boat the middle part light breeze at 5 o'clock saw sperm whales to the windward at 6 o'clock towards all three boats & got 84 the starboard boat one the barboard B one the waist boat two saw & catch ends so lat by clock 3.50 o'clock long by clock 4.00

Captain Gifford the Officer

allowing

raised the anchor



# Remarks on board the Bark President

Sea account

Monday August the 11<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with light air & calm  
calm got the whales along side &  
out in one at 5 pull started the work  
the middle light breeze the part in the  
rest ends so  
Lat by obs  
Long by chron

Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this begins with light winds & calm  
employed in boiling & clearing away the  
heads middle part strong breeze the  
latter part light air finished cutting  
the blubber ends so lat by obs 34° 50' N  
Long by chron 42° 11' W

Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze em-  
ployed in boiling the middle part  
finished boiling the latter employed  
in stowing down one sail in sight  
land in sight ends so

Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & calm  
employed in stowing down the middle part  
light breeze heading E & E the part light  
air & calm finished stowing down &  
washed off the ship made 60 bls ends  
so  
Lat by obs 34° 50' N  
Long by chron 42° 11' W

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air  
we saw a number of schools of porpoise  
the middle part the same the latter  
part saw porpoises all round & fire  
sails employed about different jobs  
ends so Lat by obs 35° 34' N  
right long by chron 42° 11' W



of den Bedford Benjamin Gifford Charter  
sea account

Saturday August the 16<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with light airs at 2  
p m light breeze from the N. On  
the starboard tack ahead steering by the  
wind at sunset took in sail the middle  
part light airs & sunrise calm the latter  
part light breeze all sail set two sails  
in sight ends so lat by obs 38° 35' N  
long by chron 64° 21' W

Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
from the N. Steering different courses  
at 2 p m stand in sight at 3 p m  
steering to the southward & westward  
saw phinbacks & porpoises & killers at  
sunset took in sail the middle part light  
airs at daylight saw two steamers & two  
sails & the land the latter part light  
breeze steering S S E saw phinbacks &  
porpoises ends so lat by obs 34° 52' N  
long by chron 63° 37' W

Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering by the wind heading to the west  
ward at sunset two ships & took in sail  
the middle part pleasant at daylight  
made sail light airs the latter part light  
breeze heading at N E saw a large shoal  
of small fish ends so lat by obs 35° 08' N  
long by chron 64° 05' W

Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
saw one sail watch employed at sun  
set two ships & took in sail the middle  
part light air at daylight calm at 6 p  
m light airs the latter part the same ends  
so lat by obs 35° 25' N long by chron 64° 00' W



Remarks on board the Shark president of  
sea account Wednesday

Monday August the 20<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering E at 3½ raised sperm whales  
at 4 P.M. toward all the Boats got  
one each at 8½ P.M. got them along  
side & made fast the middle part  
getting ready for cutting at 5 P.M.  
commence cutting at 11½ & finished  
cutting sperm whale in light two sails  
in sight ends so lat by obs 35° 35' N  
land in sight

Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
land in sight at 12½ toward the  
harbord & assist boats the harbord  
boat got next boat struck &  
dressed at 2½ came on board  
& took the whale along side employed  
cutting up blubber & clearing away  
the heads at 3½ P.M. started the  
works the middle part pleasant the  
wind at 1 P.M. the latter part cut in  
the whale & cut up the blubber employed  
in boiling ends so lat by obs 38° 20' N

Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
saw one sail employed in boiling  
the middle part light one the latter part  
20 sails in sight employed in breaking  
out for steaming oil ends so lat by obs 38° 15' N

Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from  
the N at 2 P.M. finished boiling meat 6  
P.M. at 4 P.M. commenced stowing down the  
board the middle part fresh from the latter part  
employed in stowing down saw large shoal of fish

the water raised there & kept byford raised there & whaler

11 1/2 by obs 35° 44' N



# Sir Bedford Benjy Gifford Master

Sunday

account

August the 24<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a fresh breeze from the S  
finished stowing down & washed off the ship at sun  
et wore ship heading E by compass the middle  
part the same at 6 et all wind & tacked ship  
the latter part light airs & calms three sails  
in sight ends so lat by obs 35 31 N

long by chron 65 41 W

Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze at 2 p.m.  
strong breeze at sunset more moderate took  
in sail heading SE by E the middle part the  
same at daylight made sail six sails in sight  
at 10 1/2 et all saw ahead whale took him along  
side & got away for cutting ends so lat by obs 35 41 N

Hard Trawl drag long by chron 65 30 W

Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze employed  
in cutting at 2 1/2 et three cutting & started the  
works at sunset took in sail heading W by the  
wind the middle part finished cutting stowing  
& at daylight made sail launch in sight

steering by the wind heading NW by the  
latter part three sails in sight saw large shoal  
of small fish ends so lat by obs 35 45 N

long by chron 65 40 W

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze & squally  
at 4 p.m. pleasant at half past six saw all  
a matter & spouts at sunset took in sail heading  
W by the middle part on the latter tow  
wading & at daylight heading NW by the

W the latter part saw phosphores & large  
shoals of small fish lat 34 47 N

long by chron 65 44 W

raised this whale

capt Gifford



Remarks on board the North President of  
Sagami-cont Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light breeze from the  
S. E. ran two shots of longitude at sunset took  
in sail the middle part light air & calm  
the latter part saw phinacles two sail & people  
saw ends so lat by obs 35° 08' N  
long by chron 53° 11' W

Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm at one full light  
at 2 P.M. two ships light breeze at  
sunset took in sail heading E by S the  
middle part wore ship the latter part thick  
sails in sight strong breeze from the S. E.  
ends so land in sight lat by obs 35° 38' N  
long by chron 58° 11' W

Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breeze at 2 P.M.  
saw boat from shore with punt & 4 or 5 stable  
laught one basket of unions at sunset took in  
sail the middle part wore ship at daylight  
light air the latter part calm two ships  
in sight ends so lat by obs 35° 40' N  
long by chron 65° 00' W

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze steering  
to S. saw sperm whales at 4 P.M. towards  
all three boats each boat got one lost one  
a large cow with a calf in her side the others ac-  
took along side the middle part got ready  
for cutting at daylight commenced cutting at 7 1/2  
P.M. got three & made sail heading to the N. E.  
with a light breeze the latter part two ships head  
at 11 by 11 & started the whales ends so  
lat by obs 35° 02' N  
long by chron 64° 12' W



New Bedford Benjamin Clifford Master

Sunday  
Monday

September the 1<sup>st</sup> 1862

this day begins with a light breeze at 2 P.M.  
the ship bore pushes at E. At 3 P.M. the  
saw porpoises employed boiling at sunset took in sail  
the middle part finished boiling at daylight made  
sail make made nine lbs of oil the latter part saw  
phindacke ends in lat by obs 35°  
long by obs 111°

Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze heading  
at E & saw phindacke at sunset took in sail  
the middle part pleasant at daylight made sail  
the latter part layed in sight saw two sails  
wind N. E. W. with a light breeze heading  
S. W. by half east ends in lat by obs 35° 18' N  
long by obs 111°

Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze saw  
two sails & large flock of birds at sunset the  
ship & took in sail the middle part light air  
at daylight made sail the latter part saw schools  
of small fish ends in lat by obs 35° 18' N  
long by obs 111°

Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze strong E  
saw porpoises at sunset took in sail & then  
by the wind the middle part pleasant at day  
light made sail land in sight were ships  
heading to the westward strong breeze the  
latter part the same ends in lat by obs 35° 18' N  
long by obs 111°

Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
& gradually saw a large school of small fish  
at sunset took in sail & were ships heading  
at E the middle part light air & pleasant  
at daylight made sail at 7 P.M. calise the  
latter part saw porpoises ends in lat by obs 35° 18' N  
long by obs 111°

William will you please make me a note to Mr. Phillips  
of Newbury.

Benjamin Clifford



Remarks on board the Bark President

Sea calm

Saturday

September the 6<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a calm at 1 P M light  
air at 3 light breeze at sunset took in sail  
heading W of N the middle part were ship  
at daylight made sail employed in breaking  
out for water & stowed down the sail the  
latter part were ship heading E by S  
ends 30 lat by obs 33 04 N

Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> long by obs 30 W  
this day begins with a fresh breeze one  
sail in sight saw frigates at sunset  
took in sail the middle part were ship  
at daylight light breeze made sail at 7  
at 11 fresh breeze heading S of E the  
latter part took in sail up the  
sails & parted the mainmast blowing  
strong & a rugged sea were ship heading  
S S E ends 30 lat by obs 35 48 N  
long by obs 30 W

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze  
& rugged with considerable salt water  
on deck saw one steamship & 3 sails at sun-  
set took in sail more moderate land in  
sight the middle part were ship at  
daylight land in sight made sail light  
breeze steering S of W the latter part fresh  
breeze W at N employed ends 30

Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze &  
hazy & cloudy steering by the wind  
heading S of W at sunset took in sail  
& were ship heading E the middle part  
strong breeze at 7 at 11 stowed S of N  
by W & a rugged sea the latter lat by obs 38 06 N  
part more moderate made sail at 2 7 W



of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

sea account

Wednesday

September the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze starting  
by the wind heading N by N at 4 S 11  
light breeze & gathering at 6 P M near ship  
heading N the middle part set fore top &  
sail heading N by E 1/2 E at daylight  
took in the fore top & sail & the  
ship heading N by S the latter part  
set caught the main & fore top & lower  
heading N 1/2 S under sail lat by obs 38 50 N  
long by Chron 73 26 W

Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
from the N by N saw thirteen sails  
at 6 P M heading N by N the middle  
part heading N by N saw a ship fight  
at 4 P M heading N by N copied the  
latter part heading N by N saw one  
sail under sail lat by obs 38 50 N  
long by Chron 73 24 W

Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
starting by the wind heading N by N  
half N at 1 P M heading N by N the  
middle part heading N by N &  
suddenly the latter part rain squalls came  
so lat by obs 36 02 N  
long by Chron 74 10 W

Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
& suddenly heading N by N copied  
the middle part heading N by N took the  
light sail at daylight set the light sail starting  
at N the latter part moderate under  
so lat by obs 36 40 N  
long by Chron 74 11 W



# Remarks on board the Bark

sea account

Sunday September the 14<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a strong breeze & squally one sail in sight the middle part clear at four tops of sail at daylight took in the main top of sail at 4 at 10 the fore ship and at 11 & squally at half past 1 the fore ship and at 1 took in the light sails the latter part set the light sails reaching at 11 & 11 ends set at 12 26 30  
Long by wire 20° 23' W

Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze & squally at 5 p.m. took in main top of sail the middle part took in the gaff top of sail at daylight set the main top of sail & gaff top of sail the latter part steering S W by compass with a light breeze ends 30  
Lat by wire 18°  
Long by wire 11°

Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze from the S E steering S W by 11° saw two sails the middle part saw the land at half past 3 at 11 St Michael at daylight steering S S W the latter part a light breeze ends 30

Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze steering S S W at quarter past 4 P.M. saw sperm whales at 10 yards for five toward the boats the starboard boat struck a large whale & the line parted the waist boat struck him & ions drawn at dark came on board whales gone at 11 steering S W by 11° the middle part the same at daylight <sup>was in</sup> right & full at 10 at 10 sail steering

Whales ends 30 the fore



President of New Bedford Benjamin Whifford Master

See account

Thursday

September the 18<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light breeze at quarter before one the barometer took straits the wind took killed him at 3 P.M. took him along side & commenced cutting a 4 P.M. head off & body in the middle part break out water & put the blubber in the blubberer at 7 P.M. the junk I ease on deck the latter part of the day the case I cut up the junk and started the work ends so

Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze at 7 P.M. under the lee of Terceira the middle part strong breeze & squally at 4 P.M. some rain the latter part lost reefed the fore top sail saw wharf employed in boiling ends so

Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze under the lee of the land wind SE at half past 3 raining hard in squalls at 5 P.M. the wind at 11 raining hard cooled down the work at 8 1/2 P.M. started the work middle strong breeze lying under the lee of the land latter part squally finished boiling men & bottles ends so one sail in sight

Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze under the lee of Terceira under lost reef fore & main topsail wind from N to N.W. the middle part squally & raining the latter part strong breeze saw a Schooner & a brig & a bark ends so



account Remarks on board the Bark President  
Monday September the 22<sup>nd</sup> 1862

This day begins with a strong breeze & gently  
anchors the bark Sereira at 6 p.m. more mod-  
erate in middle part light air the latter part  
increases the oil & breaks out the shocks  
ends so

Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with a light air employed  
in setting up oil shocks made full sail  
steering by the wind heading it at 6 started  
towards board the middle part light pleasant  
Sereira 8 miles out the latter part employed  
setting up oil shocks wind N N W  
ends so

Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze  
from the N N W employed setting up the  
shocks at sunset heading it steering  
by the wind graciosa & piece & fogal in  
sight & it gorges the middle part strong  
breeze from N to N N W the & square  
latter part squally & some rain finished  
setting up the oil shocks ends so

Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze  
from N N W to N W the watch  
employed in breaking out water the  
middle part squally the wind from N to  
N W saw a bark the latter part  
squally steering by the wind heading  
N N W graciosa on the ice bearing  
E by N ends so



an account of our Bedford Bay's Shippent Harbor  
Friday Sept the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes from  
the S W & gradually at 3<sup>1/2</sup> P M off 3<sup>1/2</sup>  
george head at sunset off fogal harbor saw  
two boats in the passage light air at 8 P M out  
of the passage the mistle gradually & some rain at  
daylight stood in to the passage headwinds  
and calm at 8 at 10 the Capt went on shore  
at 11 at 12 the pilot came off on board  
the latter part the chains bent & the anchor  
off the bow & all ready at 14 P M anchored  
off fogal at 3 P M dropped in at 3<sup>1/2</sup> P M  
anchored again with the starboard bow  
in 42 fathoms of water along side with  
48 fathoms of chain out at 5<sup>1/2</sup> P M took  
moorings from shore there is 36 hours in this  
days work to someone harbor log journal

Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from  
the S W all hands employed in breaking  
out oil & coopersing at 4 P M the  
latter came a long side & took 50 bbls a  
shore at 6 P M blowing fresh from the  
S W at 7 P M blowing strong & gradually  
& raining the latter part the same

Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a moderate breeze  
at 1 P M the wind S W & more moderate  
at 3 P M light breeze & pleasant in mistle  
& latter part much the same with some rain <sup>shore</sup>

Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze and pleasant  
employed in breaking out oil and coopersing  
at the mistle part some rain the latter  
part pleasant ends so



harbour Remarks on board the bark president  
Monday Sept the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1842

this day begins with light breeze and  
sent 50 lbs a shore to sea employed in breaking  
out & cooping oil at 5 P.M. finished breaking  
out the oil latter part pleasant ends so

Tuesday Oct the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze and  
the same along and took 104 lbs a shore  
middle part employed in setting up  
Shakes and stowing of the fore peak latter  
part pleasant ends so

Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with slight light breeze  
and pleasant sent a raft on shore of casks  
to fill middle part the same the latter  
part pleasant ends so

Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from  
the S.E. the middle part took the water  
along side & hoisted it on board at 6 1/2  
P.M. took the rest this day set up  
some Shakes employed in stowing off the hold  
the latter part pleasant ends so

Friday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
from the S.E. employed in stowing off the  
hold at 6 P.M. finished stowing & and  
deter clear took & clear the main to the  
off the latter part pleasant ends so

Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
& showers of rain middle part on watch a  
shore for 24 hours the latter pleasant  
ends so



of the Bedford Bay. Gifford Master  
Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from the  
lastward on watch a shore for 24 hours the gunboat  
Pharos came to anchor & is loading coal from

the middle part taken onions & potatoes  
on board at 6 1/2 all on board latter part pleasant  
and ends so at 3 P.M. put the steward in

Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> the <sup>captain</sup> irons for threatening the life of the ship  
this day begins with a light breeze from

the lastward on watch on shore for 24 hours  
the sloops of war Lussarora came to anchor

the middle part pleasant employment

& Dracagus kinds of work the latter part

Salvini on shore of the western island

to get Master of the steamer Recovery

James R. M. the latter part cloudy ship

two men rescued the same on board ends so

Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with squally & rainy weather

at 1 P.M. more fine the Whittes came on

board two men missing J. Cranston &

— Parkinton the latter part pleasant

ends so

Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from

the S at 10 1/2 A.M. got under way &

stood out until time ends so

Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze

from the S laying off & on at Fayal

at 3 P.M. Capt Gifford came on board

shipped one man from ast. hand the middle

part blowing a moderate gale rainy & squally

lying under the lee of Fayal at 8 1/2 A.M.

Capt Gifford went on shore at 10 P.M. came

on board the latter part steering C. S. E.

with a light breeze from the S & squally ends so

are

sea account



an account Remarks on board the Luck President  
Saturday the 11th 1862

this day begins with a light breeze Steering  
S.E. the middle part squally at 4  
with light air & calm between 5 & 6  
having the latter part strong breeze  
and carrying bare three sails and so

Sunday the 12th

this day begins with a strong breeze  
from the N.E. Steering S.E. with frequent  
showers of rain main top of sail set  
the middle part squally the latter part  
the same and so

Monday the 13th

this day begins with a strong breeze  
from the N.E. Steering S.E. & squally  
at 8 & 9 took in main top of sail  
the middle part wind at N with light showers  
of rain set main top of sail & fly  
it the latter part wind at N with  
a light breeze ends so at 6.30 34 14.1  
long by the 28 28 54

Tuesday the 14th

this day begins with a light breeze  
Steering S.E. wind at N & squally with  
frequent showers of rain at 4 & 5 all quite  
pleasant wind at N.E. all sail set  
the middle part pleasant the latter  
part repaired the gaff top sail mended  
sails a sight and so at 6.30 34 14.1  
long by the 28 28 54

Wednesday the 15th

this day begins with a strong breeze from  
the N.E. Steering S.E. the middle part wind  
at N.E. the latter part squally wind  
at N.E. Steering by the lat 40.30 34 14.1  
wind ends so long by the 28 28 54



of new Bedford Buoys Clifford Master  
Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
I sail under double reef top sail & jib &  
Spanker & reaches Steering by the  
sun heading S by E the middle part  
the same at daylight I partly took in  
the Spanker the latter part the  
same ends so that by 10:30 or 1  
long by the 14<sup>th</sup>

Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
I gradually Steering by the sun heading  
S by E were the main breeze & new boat  
falls at sunset took in the jib & reaches  
heading S by E steady the middle  
part saw the island of Lanzarote at  
daylight saw furtherance were returned  
the two at 11<sup>1/2</sup> & in while the boatswain  
was splicing a new boat fall around the  
staple at the waist boat forward broke  
the main beam & I threw two men  
overboard & broke the boat in two toward  
the starboard boat picked up the men  
& piece of boat ends so that  
long by the 14<sup>th</sup>

Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
Steering W by W employed in taking  
me aboard & painting one of the other boat  
the second hand one I breaking  
out a net at 8<sup>1/2</sup> the island of Canaries  
in sight the middle part Steering  
S by W the latter part Steered  
the reef ends so that by 10:30 or 1  
long by the 14<sup>th</sup>



Remarks on board the Bark

sea percent

Sunday Oct the 18<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a strong breeze from the S & steering S W the middle part pleasant the latter part wet the main top g. sail under shot 24.34.1  
long by chron 132.2

Monday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze from the S & steering S W the middle part steering W S W & range the latter part the same lat by obs 23.25.1  
long by chron 132.2

Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze & steering W S W the middle part the same sea purposes the latter part pleasant ends lat 22.22.1  
long by chron 132.6.43.1

Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze & steering S W by W the middle part light breeze the latter part put the barbed overhead coat on the waist & at 6 rains same purposes ends 30 lat by obs 18.25.1  
long by chron 132.10.11

Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze steering S W employed about different jobs cooper setting up shacks the middle part pleasant at 3.45 at 4.30 the main gaff & luff to the wind head sails aback at daylight kept off at 6.45 at 8.15 saw land the distance at 10.45 the capt went on shore to see the watering place at 12 came

on land the  
watering place



President of Sea Bottom Survey, Boston  
Account Friday at the 24<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a strong breeze  
from off shore land steering by the  
wind heading S E employed in beating  
out water & snailshells saw 1000 shells  
of blackfish the sunset about 5 1/2 top  
sails & jib & reversed the middle part  
strong at 8 trader & raised the latter  
part the same ends so lally at 10 1/2  
long by 10 1/2 11

Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>

the day begins with a strong breeze  
& raised saw blackfish 3 1/2 ft the  
jib filled it temporary & set it again  
the middle part more moderate  
the latter part saw blackfish  
ends so lally at 10 1/2 11

Sunday long by 10 1/2 11

Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering by the wind heading S E by  
E at 1 1/2 all saw blackfish toward  
all three boats each boat got one took  
them on board & cleared them away  
the middle part the pleasant were ship at  
3 at 4 at daylight were ship steering  
E S E saw phinbacks the latter part  
hoisted out the blower made 3 1/2 ft  
ends so lally at 10 1/2 11

Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze  
steering E S E at 6 ft all saw the  
last the caps were the middle part  
were ship at 3 & 4 saw a steamer  
at 3 at 4 were ship at daylight  
made sail & sent down the fore top  
sail to the part employed in repairing it

same blackfish  
ends so lally at 10 1/2 11  
long by 10 1/2 11



Remarks on board the South President

sea account

Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering S employed repairing the fore  
topsail saw gulls at sunset steering  
by the wind heading N ~~W~~ <sup>W</sup> ~~W~~ <sup>W</sup>  
the middle the same at daylight were  
ship steering by the wind employed  
repairing the fore top sail the  
latter part finished the fore top  
sail I bent it & sent down the  
fore sail ends so let by ab's 13 1/2  
long by the 14 5 1/4

Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering S by the wind heading S E  
employed repairing the foresail  
at sunset were ship the middle  
part finished at daylight were  
ship the latter part finished the  
foresail I bent it & sent down  
the maintopsail ends so let by ab's  
long by the 14 5 1/4

Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
heading E by S employed repairing  
the main topsail at sunset were  
ship heading at N ~~W~~ <sup>W</sup> the middle  
part the same at daylight were  
ship steering S the latter part  
bent the 1<sup>st</sup> topsail I sent in  
it ends so let by ab's 13 1/2  
long by the 14 5 1/4



Wednesday  
Thursday

of New Bedford Virginia Gifford Master

at the 31<sup>st</sup> 1862

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering S employed repairing the jib  
at 5 I all sent the jib the middle  
part pleasant at 6 at 11 saw a sail  
at 8 1/2 at 10 fired a gun board a  
back to the main yard at 5 at 11 a  
boat came alongside the English  
Steamer. Criste at 5 1/2 at 10 hoisted  
forward steering S the latter part  
employed about different jobs until  
50 lat by obs 11 24 11  
long by chron 11 35 11

Friday Saturday, the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a light  
breeze & pleasant steering S E  
with all sail set until 18  
middle part pleasant the latter  
part employed in painting staves & c  
until 50 lat by obs 11 15 11  
long by chron 11 35 11

Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a light wind  
from the S E steering S E by S  
the middle part steering S E by S the  
latter part 175 fathoms of water  
a light air from the S ends - 50  
lat by obs 11 34 11  
long by chron 11 27 11

Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering S the middle part light air  
& S by S the latter part same the  
same steering S E with sail  
long by chron



Remarks on board the Bark President

See manuscript

Tuesday October 4<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with light variable winds & calms at 4 p.m. haul up the starboard chain & bent it & put the anchor in the show the middle part slightly with considerable lightning & lightning deck in sail at daylight all sail set & we went at anchor fresh east at 9 a.m. & 10 p.m. toward the starboard boat & capt. Gifford went on board it proved to be the barge of Bordeaux at 5 p.m. all came on board & took up the boat the latter part of the island 7 miles of middle part bearing S by E by 3 miles S.

Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air steering by the wind heading S 41° at 4 p.m. we ship heading S by E at 10 p.m. in 8 fathoms of water islands at 12 1/2 fathoms in 5 fathoms at delos islands at 4 p.m. on board went to find a place to cut wood & to see the watering place at 11 a.m. all came on board at 12 one boat went two cut wood & 2 p.m. and so.

Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>

begins with light air & pleasant unclouded breaking out boats for water at 2 p.m. sent 16 boats on shore to fill at 5 p.m. all came on board & took up the boat the middle part pleasant the latter part sitting up & filled the casks & got 1 1/2 keels load of wood about 10 miles S.



of the ship's crew being Gifford Martin  
Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light sea  
& pleasant employed in cutting wood  
& breaking out & getting ready to start  
water at 6 p.m. came on board & after  
cutting wood at 6 p.m. came on board  
& took up the boats the middle part  
pleasant the latter part with a boat  
load of wood and board & 11 in the  
of water ends so

Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup>

employed in storing the water &  
wood one boat crew cutting wood  
at 6 p.m. came on board & took  
up the boats the middle part pleasant  
the latter part employed in storing wood &  
water got 24 boat loads of wood  
from shore ends so

Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup>

finished storing the water & what  
wood we have on board at crew on  
shore cutting wood at 6 p.m.  
came on board & took up the boats  
the middle part a thunder squall  
at 5 & 6 p.m. pleasant at 6 1/2 p.m. took  
the crew off of Magly Polaritz & com-  
reed him with his things on shore  
at the English Factory on delos Islands  
where he requested the Capt. to have  
him left here there & returned to  
the ship ends so



Remarks on board the Starb President  
Monday December the 10<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a light  
breeze the middle part the same  
at 6<sup>th</sup> AM the boats went on shore  
for wood at 3<sup>th</sup> PM came on board  
the boats loads of wood. Stowed  
the wood & got under way the  
latter part took the anchor on  
the bow & stowed the chane  
ends so

Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light  
breeze all sail set steering N<sup>th</sup>  
by S at 4 PM steering by the  
wind the middle part heading  
S N by N the latter part head-  
ing S S N moved the mast  
heads ends so lat 08 05 N

Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> long 14 03 W  
This day begins with a light  
breeze heading S S N all sail  
set & spainted the Starboard boat the  
middle part squally with lightning  
& thunder the latter part breeze  
cut with a S mist subsided about 4 PM  
long by the 14 01 W

Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze  
steering by the wind heading S at  
5 PM a thunder squall took in sail  
& veered down the topsails the middle  
part all sail set the latter part  
heading S E by S & steady with a  
light breeze steering by the wind  
ends so lat by obs 05 30 N

long by the 13 01 W



of New Bedford sloop's Gifford M.

see sent  
Friday

Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze steering  
by the wind heading S E by S the Star on  
tows ahead at 6 pm heading S S E the  
middle part heading the same Squally &  
some rain the latter part heading S E  
employed at different kinds of work wind  
S S W ends So lat by obs 42 6 N  
long by obs 11 22 W

Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze &  
clearly took in the fore top & sail at  
4 pm squally at 5 pm too shift heading  
all by S with a strong breeze the  
middle part squally with some rain the  
latter part pleasant with a light breeze  
heading N S W ends So lat by obs 3 53 N  
long by obs 11 44 W

Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze  
at 1 pm too ship heading E S E  
at 4 pm heading S E some squalls  
the middle part heading S E by S  
the latter part squally & raining wind  
at E steering S W by S So ends

Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm at 9 pm  
light air the middle part light breeze  
heading S S E Set the fore top &  
sail the latter part pleasant heading  
S E by S ends So lat by obs 3 02 N  
long by obs 12 04 W



Remarks on board the South President

same event

Sunday December the 15<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a fresh breeze steering  
by the wind heading S E the middle part heading  
heading S E the latter part look in the  
fore top of East end <sup>off duty</sup> ends so  
lat by obs 02 29 N  
long by chro 23 W

Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering by the wind heading S to the  
middle part squally heading S E  
by S the latter part heading S E  
the weather more fine the watch employed  
about different work ends so lat by obs 01 01 N  
long by chro 15 48 W

Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
squally & raining at 6 p m the ship heading  
S W the middle part more pleasant  
the latter part heading W by the  
wind ends so lat by obs 01 35 N  
long by chro 06 06 W

Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering by the wind heading W  
the middle part squally & raining with a  
strong breeze the part more fine heading  
W S W ends so lat by obs 00 35 N  
long by chro 05 55 W

Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong  
breeze from the southward steering  
by the wind heading W S W the middle  
part the same the latter part light  
breeze as lat by obs 00 36 South  
long by chro 05 56 W

at sea  
Sunday

of sea Suffolk Benjamin Gifford Master

Saturday the 23<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading  $W$  by  $S$   $4^{\circ}$   
 $S$  the middle part pleasant the latter  
the same ends  $S$  set by obs  $1^{\circ} 55' S$   
long by Chron  $11^{\circ} 45' W$

Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh  $S E$  trades  
at 6 p.m. took the fore top & sail  
the middle part strong breezes heading  
 $S W$  by  $W$  the latter part employed  
fitting the cutting gear & raise  
a new fall ends  $S$  set by obs  $1^{\circ} 47' S$   
long by Chron  $11^{\circ} 32' W$

Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong trades  
heading  $S W$  by  $W$  finished the  
cutting gear put it in good order  
took a new lower <sup>cutting</sup> block for use  
the middle part strong breeze heading  
 $S$  by  $W$  the latter part strong breezes  
with frequent showers of rain ends  $S$   
set by obs  $1^{\circ} 35' S$   
long by Chron  $14^{\circ} 10' W$

Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
from the  $S E$  heading  $S S W$  the  
middle part the same the latter  
part employed repairing the fore  
top & sail saw two sails  
ends  $S$  set by obs  $1^{\circ} 22' S$   
long by Chron  $15^{\circ} 13' W$



Remarks on board the Bark President

sea account

Thursday September the 27<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with a strong breeze  
steering by the wind heading S W  
by S finished the fore top of  
sail & bent it the middle  
part heading S W by S at 6 p m  
took ship heading E by N the latter  
part the same ends so lat by obs 21 S  
long by Chro 15 05 W

Friday September the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong  
breezes from the S E heading E  
by N took in the main top  
of sail at sunset took in the  
light sails raising saw porpoises  
& saw fish the middle part fresh  
breeze at daylight set the light  
sail at 5 p m took in the light  
sails the latter part past  
a bark painted green steering  
S W ends so lat by obs 24 S  
long by Chro 14 15 W

Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong  
breezes & squally saw grampases  
at sunset took in the light sails  
the middle part wore ship  
at 7 p m set the fly jib &  
gaff top sail the latter part  
heading E by S ends so lat 25 05 S  
long by Chro 14 05 W

at sea Bedford Bay in Gifford's wharve  
account

Sunday the 30th  
this day begins with strong breeze  
and cloudy at 4 p.m. saw the island  
of ascension bearing E ship heading  
E & E the middle part was ship  
the latter part 5 sails in sight  
only 30 left by day  
long by line 11

Monday the 1st  
this day begins with strong breeze  
& squally storm by the wind beat-  
ing S W ascension bearing S W  
at 3 p.m. took in the light sails  
at sunset too ship the middle  
part strong breeze & cloudy the  
latter part fresh breeze too ship  
ends 30 left by day 13 54  
long by line 13 54

Tuesday the 2nd  
this day begins with fresh breeze  
from the S S E set the light sail  
saw two vessels at sunset took in  
the light sail & hauld up the crew  
saw the middle part cloudy with  
frequent showers of rain the latter  
part one sail in sight all sail  
set & steering W by S under 30

Wednesday the 3rd  
this day begins with strong breeze  
steering W by S one sail in sight  
the middle part pleasant the latter  
the same ends set by 11 58  
long by line 12 17



Remarks on board the Eagle President  
Launce

Thursday December the 4<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with strong breezes  
steering W by S the middle part  
squally the latter part light  
breeze & cloudy ends so lat by obs 18 30 S  
long by chron 18 42 W

Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
& some rain wind E by E steering  
W by S the middle part pleasant  
the latter part the same saw  
grampases ends so lat by obs 12 44 S  
long by chron 22 05 W

Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light  
breezes steering W by S the middle  
part the same the latter part some  
squalls ends so lat by obs 13 44 S  
long by chron 24 03 W

Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light  
breeze steering W by S the middle  
part pleasant the latter part the  
same ends so lat by obs 14 34 S  
long by chron 25 38 W

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
steering W by S the middle part  
pleasant the latter part employed  
in setting out the head engine &  
throwing the barboard fore topmast  
back stays so ends so lat by obs 15 02 S  
long by chron 27 16 W

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs from the  
eastward steering N by E the middle part  
the same at 6 am saw a sail employed  
taring the head rigging & set about the  
m Mast by backstays ends set at 16 02 S  
long by thro 28 41 W

Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
from the S E steering N at 1 pm  
saw a sail the middle part cloudy  
the latter part employed taring the  
top mast rigging one sail in sight ends  
S O lost by obs 16 31 S  
long by thro 30 33 W

Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
from the E S E steering N at 1 pm  
saw a sail at 2 pm saw white  
water finished taring the topmast rigging  
the middle part the same latter  
part set about the mizen rigging  
saw three sails ends set at 16 35 S  
long by thro 32 43 W

Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
steering N employed straitening the  
gallies on the mizen rigging the latter  
part the wind & the latter part finish  
ed the rigging ends set at 17 28 S  
long by thro 34 10 W  
long by thro 34 15 W



Another on board the Duke Resident

on account

Saturday December the 13<sup>th</sup> 1852

this day begins with a strong  
breeze from the S<sup>th</sup> steering S. the  
wind heading N. N. W. at sunset  
look in sail the middle part cloudy  
the latter part saw two sails  
ends so lost by obs<sup>er</sup> 11 30 S

long by Chas 36 25 11

Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
at 4 p.m. were ship at 6 p.m.  
spoke the barkchili capt. King the  
middle part steering by the wind  
at 8 p.m. rain at 6 m.m. sail on  
sail in sight the latter part heading  
at ends so lost by obs<sup>er</sup> 11 30 S

long by Chas 36 25 11

Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering S. the wind heading at 4  
the wind S. W. the sunset look  
in sail the middle part squally  
& rainy at sunrise made sail the  
latter strong breeze & rapid sail  
on sail ends so lost by obs<sup>er</sup>

long by the 11

Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze  
& rapid steering by the wind heading  
S. W. at 6 p.m. were ship & so the  
sail heading E. N. E. the middle part  
the same at daylight were  
ship on sail in sight the  
latter part look at distance  
of the sun & moon ends so

at 10 A.M.

lost by obs<sup>er</sup> 11 30 S  
long by time 35 34 11 long by Chas 36 25 11

of New Bedford saying Gifford Master

in command

Wednesday the 17th

This day begins with strong breeze  
& rapid steering by the wind  
heading S D W at sunset took in  
sail on sail in sight the middle  
part equally the latter part pleasant  
too sail in sight but light  
long by the 11th

Thursday the 18th

This day begins with fresh breeze  
steering by the wind heading S at  
4 & heading S E by E at sunset took  
in sail in sight the latter part pleasant  
at daylight under sail the latter  
part heading it with a light breeze  
under S E lat by the 17 13 5  
long by the 20 45 1

Friday the 19th

This day begins with light breeze  
from the E by E steering by the  
wind heading it at sunset took  
ship & took in sail the middle part  
pleasant at daylight under sail  
was sail in sight the latter part  
equally with pleasant breeze of each  
under S E lat by the 17 14 5  
long by the 35 11

Saturday the 20th

This day begins with fresh breeze  
took in the light sail steering  
by the wind heading E at sunset  
took ship & took in sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight strong  
breeze under sail the latter part steering  
different courses under sail from 11th  
long by the 31 11 1



Amortie on board back president

Amortie

Sunday

December the 21<sup>st</sup> 1862

this day began with a strong  
breeze steering S by W at 1<sup>st</sup>  
p m we made sail towards a  
boat and went to it found  
it empty came on board at  
sunset took in sail & buff  
to on the wind to the eastward  
the middle part foremost the  
latter part steering S two  
miles in sight under sail by the light  
long by the 3<sup>rd</sup> 35 11

Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day began with strong  
breeze steering S the middle  
part the same the latter part  
began ends so but by the 2<sup>nd</sup> 14 5  
long by the 3<sup>rd</sup> 35 43 11

Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day began with strong  
westerly winds and sail in sight  
steering S by W at 5 p m  
steering S by W the middle  
part the same at daylight began  
ally & raising the latter part took  
in sail to single reef top sail  
& foresail Wind at W ends so

but by the 2<sup>nd</sup> 14 5

long by the 3<sup>rd</sup> 35 42 11

Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day began with strong  
breeze & raining at 4 p m wind  
S E were ship heading S S W  
with light breeze & raining the middle  
part raining the latter part the  
same made sail under sail by the light  
reason long by the 3<sup>rd</sup> 35 42 11

of the Redford Bay in Lyfford Harbor

Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day began with light airs  
& raining at 6<sup>h</sup> p.m. took in sail steering  
S 41<sup>st</sup> the middle part more fine at  
day light calm at 6 o'clock light air  
made all sail the latter part heavy  
and so lat 1 p.m. 24 33 S  
long 36 23 W

Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes  
from the eastward steering S 41<sup>st</sup>  
saw groups of schools of small  
fish at 10 a.m. shortened sail the  
middle part saw a vessel at daylight  
made sail the sail in sight at  
6 o'clock saw sperm whales at 8 o'clock  
at 11 o'clock the larboard boat  
the waist boat struck the starboard  
boat lowered the larboard boat  
struck a large cow & short nose  
spotted the starboard boat struck  
& was steered the waist boat took  
up a whale for the ship took the  
larboard <sup>boat</sup> in & but we were head  
saw so lat 1 p.m. 25 48 S  
long 36 21 W

Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light  
breeze got under way & out in the  
whale & cut him up in horse  
pieces at 6 p.m. started the  
works & shot in sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight equally  
at 3 o'clock finished cutting made  
ten like the latter part equally  
& raining and so lat 11 a.m. 3  
long 37 00 W

observed fifteen saw these whales



Remarks on board the Bark President  
sea & coast

Sunday December the 28<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day began with storm  
began put out a new boat on a  
sawboard cranes & got me ready  
for towing & quickly & racing at  
8 pm Shorten sail the middle part  
calm the latter part all sail set  
light air ends so lat by 10 3  
long by line 71

Monday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this began with light air &  
calm with distant thunder & rain  
at 3 pm stopped raining sea grassy  
waves at 4 pm Shorten sail the  
middle part steady at day light made  
sail the latter part slowed down  
the oil two vessels in sight end  
so lat by obs 25 40 S  
long by line 38 00

Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup>

This day began with light breeze  
& pleasant steering by the wind  
leading E S E at sunset Shorten  
sail the middle part pleasant at  
daylight made sail fresh breeze  
from the S E employed in passing  
the boat & other vessels saw white matter  
end so lat by obs 26 20 S  
long by line 57 10

Wednesday the 31<sup>st</sup>

This day began with fresh breeze  
from the S E steering S by E at 2 pm  
saw beaches at 3 pm steering  
by the wind at sunset shorten sail to  
beating at light the middle part pleasant  
at daylight made sail the lat by obs 26 21 S  
lat part saw the sail end so lat by obs 26 21 S

It was a fine day for the President

of the Bedford Bay in Gifford the 1st

was out  
Thursday

January the 1st 1863

This day began with strong breeze  
the ship starting at 8 p m sailing  
by the wind heading S<sup>W</sup> at sunset  
shook sail the middle part  
pleasant at daylight made sail the  
latter part steering S<sup>W</sup> ends S  
saw a sulphur bottom lat 42 24 S  
long by the 1st 25

Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day began with strong breeze  
steering at 4 p m the carpenter  
finished the boat & put her over  
board on the house at sunset shook  
sail the middle part strong breeze  
& rapid at daylight set the force  
at 6 p m at 11<sup>th</sup> saw sperm whales  
at 11<sup>th</sup> and the two last coast  
boats the coast boat struck one & got  
stuck the standard boat toward  
& struck him the boatman killed him  
with his iron hook the standard boat  
in & put her on the house & took the  
the whale along side with a set 2100  
long by the 1st 25

Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day began with strong breeze  
rapid employed in cutting in the whale  
along side at 9 p m finished cutting at sun  
set started the work the middle part  
more moderate employed in cutting at  
daylight made sail the latter part  
the ship heading S<sup>W</sup> ends S  
lat 42 24 S  
long by the 1st 25



Remarks on board the ship called Resident  
Sea mount

Sunday January the 4th 1869

this day begins with light breezes  
steering at the wind heading N W  
at 12 pm finished sailing made 15 1/2  
the middle part strong breezes the  
latter part more moderate sea  
three sails ends S. lat 40 25 N  
long by chron 40 25 W

Monday the 5th  
this day begins with fresh breezes  
at 2 pm spoke the bark war of  
the Bedford Capt. Fisher got letters  
& papers the middle part squally  
the latter part blowed down  
the oil one vessel in sight so ends  
lat by chron 26 22 S  
long by chron 40 35 W

Tuesday the 6th  
this day begins with strong  
breezes steering by the wind  
heading E by S the middle part  
strong breezes & rough at sunrise saw  
white water & beaches to the wind  
ward at 6 <sup>30 minutes past</sup> got the boat down  
from over head & put her on the  
larboard crains at 7 and in toward  
the larboard & and waist boat the waist  
boat struck at 8 and we took him along  
side whales gain quick to the leeward  
came on board at 10 and we and got  
ready for cutting the latter employed  
in cutting ends so lat by chron 26 54 S  
long by chron 38 13 W

whales  
middle vessel seen

at New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Tuesday Jan the 7<sup>th</sup> 1863

with  
Sperm whales  
these whales

This day begins with strong breezes & raged at 1 p m finished cutting at 2 1/2 p m started the work at sunset took in sail the middle part strong breezes heading E at 6 o'clock St Lawrence Sperm whales at 8 o'clock finished cutting at 8 1/2 o'clock lost sight of them at 3 1/2 o'clock saw the gain to the windward the latter part saw them three miles off the weather became calm S E lat by obs 27° 10' S long by obs 38° 20' W

Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes & raged at 1 p m the ship working to windward at two o'clock at 4 o'clock saw them know more at 8 p m saw a sail at sunset took sail the middle part raged at daylight broke out for St Lawrence at 5 1/2 o'clock finished the latter part made sail Ends Solatly at 2 1/2 o'clock long by obs 38° 00' W

Friday the 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong & squally at 2 p m the jib stay parted watch employed about ship duty spliced the jib stay & set it up set jib at 8 p m more moderate with rain squalls heading E by N the middle part cloudy & raining the latter part the ship heading at W by W ends S E lat d 2 long by d 38



# Remarks on board the Bark President

Sea account

Saturday January the 10<sup>th</sup> 1843

this day begins with light breeze & calm raining at 2 pm wind S steering at 8 pm calm the middle part light airs & raining at daylight when made all sail the latter part took in the light sails squally & raining ends S. lat by obs 26 44 S long by chron 33 00 W

Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs & calm squally & raining saw one sail at 8 pm took in sail one vessel in sight the middle part raining at daylight made sail squally & raining saw grampasses the latter part thick & cloudy ends S. lat by obs 26 27 S long by obs 38 46 W

Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze & squally at 8 pm saw breaches at sunset took in sail heaving off by S the middle part light breeze with frequent dashes of rain at daylight made sail the latter carpenter employed mending the S boat ends S. lat by obs 26 48 S long by chron 35 40 W

Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs from the S W steering by the wind heading S S W two sails in sight at sunset shortened sail the middle part pleasant at daylight made sail at 2 it all saw sperm whales at 5 it all toward all three boats the nearest boat stuck on & the rest went to windward

made out 11 miles by chron 35 40 W

of New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master

Account  
Wednesday

January the 14<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with strong breeze at 1 p.m.  
took the whale along side & got ready for cutting  
at 3 p.m. commenced cutting one of the cutting  
jacks stranded the old one at sunset finished  
cutting at 8 o'clock the work the  
latter part light breeze & clear & calm  
in boiling ends so lat by dr 26 or 5  
long by three 40 or 11

Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup>

long by four 40 or 11

This day begins with light breeze with sail  
stirring by the wind heading at 1 o'clock  
employed hauling the middle part pleasant at day  
light made sail the latter part light  
winds & calm & cloudy ends so lat by dr 26 or 5  
long by three 40 or 11

Friday the 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze stirring  
by the wind at 3 p.m. finished boiling at 5  
o'clock shortened sail the middle part pleasant  
at daylight made all sail the latter  
part light breeze ends so lat by dr 26 or 5  
long by three 40 or 11

Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light air sea  
glass at 4 p.m. strong breeze &  
cloudy wind S W stirring at 11  
at sunset shortened sail & luffed  
to the wind heading S E the middle  
part strong breeze & raged at daylight  
employed in breaking out to show  
the lat part stowed down the oil &  
made sail ends so lat by dr 26 or 5  
long by three 40 or 11



Remains on board the White President of

San Antonio

Sunday January the 18<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a strong breeze from  
N<sup>W</sup> S<sup>W</sup> starting by the wind heading S  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part down  
at daylight made sail the latter part saw  
white matter ends so lat by obs 29° 15' S  
long by chr 40° 15' W

Monday the 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes started  
by the wind heading N<sup>W</sup> E by it at sun-  
set shorten sail the middle part  
piled out at daylight light breeze made  
sail watch employed about ship duty  
the latter part on bent the mainsail  
ends so lat by obs 29° 13' S  
long by chr 38° 47' W

Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes  
a pleasant watch employed repairing  
the mainsail at 6 pm bent the  
mainsail at sunset too ship & shorten  
sail the middle part strong breeze  
at daylight made sail at 7 at 10  
squally & raining the latter part  
the same ends so lat by obs 29° 20' S  
long by chr 38° 47' W

Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes  
& rain at 4 pm shortened sail wind  
S<sup>W</sup> one sail in sight at 5 pm calm  
the middle part light breezes at  
daylight strong breezes the latter  
part employed repairing the sails  
boat & mended the tryworks saw two  
sails ends so lat by obs 29° 33' S  
long by chr 40° 10' W

New Bedford, Longin, Gifford, Marston

in account  
Thursday

January the 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes from the  
E & E steering S. W. at sunset shortened  
sail & left to the wind the middle part  
cloudy at daylight light breezes from the S &  
steering by the wind made sail the latter  
part saw on sail watch employed about  
ships duty ends so lat 42° 45' N  
long 71° 15' W

Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with light breezes at 1 pm  
the ship heading E & E saw gumpass  
finished the barbed boat & put her over  
board on the house at sunset the ship  
the middle part the ship the latter  
part painted the barbed boat  
on the house ends so lat 42° 36' N  
long 71° 50' W

Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading E & E  
at 4 pm the ship saw a whale  
to windward 1 mile off the middle part  
the ship at 6 o'clock saw gumpass the  
latter part saw a big one so lat 43° 28' N  
long 71° 41' W  
long 71° 40' 23' W

Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes steer-  
ing by the wind heading E & E at 1  
pm saw sperm whales towards all  
three boats at 6 pm the barbed  
boat struck a large whale & lost the  
line at 8 pm came on board &  
took in sail the middle part light air  
at daylight made sail the latter part  
saw a big one so lat 43° 20' N  
long 71° 22' W

These notes



# Remarks on board the Shark President

Account

Monday January the 26<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a light air from the S at 4 p m strong breeze heading E by the wind at 8 p m the ship heading S W at sunset shortened sail the middle part strong breeze & cloudy at daylight made sail the latter part sailing out S

Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breeze & squally steering different courses at 8 p m saw a sail at sunset took in sail the middle part strong breeze at daylight made sail at 10 p m saw a white matter off the weather quarter 2 mile off sperm whale lost to the water at 11 A M saw him make white matter near ship went so lat by obs 26 16 S long by obs 40 22 W

Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breeze & rough at quarter before the noon ship saw grampuses at 1 p m made more sail saw him know more at 2 p m the ship at 4 p m the ship at sunset shortened sail heading S by E the middle part more moderate at daylight made sail the latter part saw grampuses went so lat by obs 26 32 S long by obs 40 38 W

Saw this whale

of New Bedford Benja Gifford Master  
Samaritan  
Thursday Jan the 29<sup>th</sup> 1863

this begins with a light breeze a vessel  
ship heading N E at 4 p m saw ship  
heading N E at 7 1/2 saw a sail to windward  
at sunset shorten sail the middle  
part push over at daylight strong breeze the  
latter part hauled the foresail down in a  
moderate gale from the south end so  
lat by obs 26 20 S

Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> Long by the 38 55 N  
this day begins with a moderate gale  
heading E N E saw a big gain to the S W  
at sunset wore ship heading N E W the  
middle part the wind South squally at  
daylight strong breeze & raged the latter  
part a moderate gale end so lat

Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with a moderate gale  
at 1 p m raining & squally at 6 p m  
stopped raining more moderate the middle  
part more moderate at daylight made  
sail at 8 a m saw a sail the latter  
part heading S by the wind squalls SE  
lat by obs 26 33 S  
long by the 41 11 W

February Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with strong breeze  
the ship part a bark painted green  
english at two p m saw small white  
satter at sunset shorten sail heading  
N E wind E S E the middle part the  
the latter at daylight made sail the latter  
part saw a big wind & light air  
end so lat by obs 26 48 S  
long by the 40 41 W





of New Bedford Bay's Yaffee Master

on account

Friday January 11<sup>th</sup> 1862

This day begins with a strong breeze & rain at 2 p.m. let up set the set the fore and main sail & shoot out the reef at 4 p.m. light airs and cloudy heading S E by the wind at sunset shortened sail the middle part squally & raining at daylight light airs & raining the latter part calm heading all round gale. ~~from~~ ~~only~~ ~~set~~ ~~out~~ ~~by~~ ~~obs~~ ~~2538 S~~ long by the 3538 W

Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm at 2 1/2 p.m. light breeze from the eastward made all sail steering by the wind heading S E at sunset shorten sail the middle part cloudy at daylight made sail heading S E at 6 a.m. too short heading S E the latter part light air ends so lat by obs 2539 S long by the 3542 W

Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from the S E at 4 p.m. wind S E & heading S E at sunset shorten sail the middle part pleasant the ship heading S E by E at daylight made sail on sail in sight the latter part heading S E with light air ends so lat by obs 2622 S Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> long by the 3541 W

This day begins with a light breeze from the S E steering by the wind heading S E by E at sunset shorten sail the middle part heading S E at daylight made sail & saw ship at 2 a.m. saw whales at 3 a.m. toward all the boats the harbor boat struck two cow & calf the other two boats in chase ends

not in view of the ship 2631 S

long 3543 W



Remarks on board the bark president

see account

Tuesday January the 10th 1863

This day begins with light breezes from  
the N.E. whales in sight boats in chase  
at 2 p.m. gave them up at 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> took  
the whales along side at 4 p.m. the  
boats came on board & commenced cutting  
at 6<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> p.m. finished cutting & sent down  
the barrels at 1 A.M. started the water  
at daylight made sail at 8 A.M. spoke  
the bark vessel capt. Rose of Sag Harbor  
12 months out 1800 lbs. the latter part emp-  
loyed boiling ends. So lat by obs 27° 07' S  
long by chron 38° 31' W

Wednesday the 11th

This day begins with light breezes from  
the N.E. heading W employed in  
boiling the ~~water~~ shorten sail  
the middle part pleasant at daylight  
made sail at 8 A.M. finished sailing the  
latter part heading N.E. steering by  
the wind ends. So lat by obs 26° 49' S  
long by chron 38° 31' W

Thursday the 12th

This day begins with light breezes  
from the north saw greenhorses at  
sunset all sail set heading N.E.  
the middle part pleasant heading N.E.  
at 6 A.M. two ship heading E by S latter  
part. cooper repairing co's saw one  
sail to leeward ends. So lat by obs 26° 15' S  
Friday the 13th long by chron 38° 50' W

This day begins with light breezes steering by  
the wind heading E by S at 6 p.m. two ship head-  
ing N.E. the middle part cloudy at 6  
p.m. two sails in sight <sup>cooper</sup> employed repairing junks  
the squally & raining two ship heading E by S  
ends. So lat by obs 25° 32' S  
long by chron 38° 50' W

of the vessel being Gifford Master

account

Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with light breeze & squally  
at 3 p m saw a sail at sunset heading S E  
by E all sail but the middle part squally  
at daylight one sail in sight the latter part clear  
at dawn the sail ends so lat by obs 24 41 S

long by obs 38 41 W

Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from the  
N E heading N E at 10 a m the ship at sunset  
heading S E by E the middle part clear  
at dawn the latter part saw rain squalls so  
so lat by obs 25 41 S

long by obs 38 41 W

Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze at  
2 1/2 p m the ship heading N at sunset  
heading N by E the middle part cloudy  
at 6 a m the ship heading S E the latter  
part light air ends so lat by obs 25 41 S

long by obs 38 41 W

Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from  
the eastward at 1 p m the ship at 3  
p m the ship at sunset the ship  
heading N E by E squally & raining the  
middle part cloudy at 6 a m at 11 saw  
a sail the latter part light air &  
calm ends so lat by obs 25 41 S

Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>

long by obs 36 40 W

this day begins with light air & calm  
heading S E by E at sunset heading S E  
the middle part the ship heading N E  
the latter part one sail in sight  
heading N by E ends so

lat by obs 24 32 S

long by obs 36 31 W



Remarks on board the Bark President

See account

Thursday February the 18<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with moderate breezes from the E heading at by E at sunset heading at E by the Wind the middle part squally with fresh breezes at 3 p m one sail in sight the latter part pleasant ends So lat by obs 22 26 S long by chron 36 16 W

Friday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes steering by the wind heading at by E & E at 6 p m saw a sail the middle part squally at daylight saw a rig to windward the latter part fresh breezes steering at E ends So lat by obs 20 05 S long by chron 36 08 W

Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a pleasant breeze steering at E at 3 1/2 p m had a rain squall at sunset light breeze the middle part fresh breezes at day light saw a sail the latter steering at ends So lat by obs 19 40 S long by chron 35 55 W

Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with the light breezes from the eastward steering at W at sunset shorten sail the middle part heading from W to E at day light make sail the latter part saw perhaps 2 squibs for ship heading S E by the wind ends So lat by obs 18 22 S long by chron 36 12 W

of New Bedford Bay, Gifford & Harlow

in account

Monday

February the 23<sup>rd</sup>

1863

This day begins with light breeze & calm  
at sunset light air the middle part  
the ship at daylight heading S E  
at 8 all the ship heading E & the lat  
ter part unlent the foresail & repaired it  
& bent it again ends so lat 41 19 32 S  
long 69 36 13 W

Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
heading E S E at 2 p m got a distance  
of the sun & moon at sunset light air  
the middle part heading E at 6 all  
heading E by N the latter part  
light breeze saw a vessel ends so lat 41 58 48 S  
long 69 34 11 W

Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from  
the North heading E S E steering by  
the wind saw some small fish round  
the ship the middle part heading E at  
daylight heading E by N the latter part  
the ship heading S W by N with  
fresh breeze Squally ends so lat 42 42 S  
long 69 32 11 W

Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breeze &  
Squally set land the fly jib boom goes  
the middle part quiet clear & pleasant  
at daylight saw two sail the latter  
part saw two sail heading S W  
by N ends so lat 43 22 S  
long 69 33 50 W



Remarks on board the bark President

See account

Friday February the 27<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a fresh breeze, steering  
by the wind heading at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  by 1  
at 3 p.m. the ship heading E by S  
saw blackfish at 2 p.m. saw porpoises  
& caught one the middle part  
light air at daylight saw two sails  
one was a schooner a whaler the latter  
part the ship heading at by  $11$   
ends So lat by obs  $16^{\circ}42'S$   
long by chron  $32^{\circ}43'W$

Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
steering by the wind heading at  $11\frac{1}{2}$   
at 6 p.m. heading at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  E the middle  
part pleasant at daylight saw two  
sails the latter part pleasant  
ends So lat by obs  $14^{\circ}04'S$   
long by chron  $33^{\circ}11'W$

Sunday March the 1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
steering by the wind heading at by  
E at 6 p.m. heading at  $11$  the middle  
part pleasant at 6 a.m. saw a sail  
the latter part steering at  $11$  E  
ends So lat by obs  $12^{\circ}45'S$   
long by chron  $33^{\circ}36'W$

Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
from the E.S.E. steering at  $11$  E at  
sunset hauld in the Weather braces  
the middle part pleasant at daylight  
broak out water the latter part was  
employed scraping the iron work  
& painting it So ends

lat by obs  $10^{\circ}18'S$   
long by chron  $33^{\circ}26'W$

of iron & powder & iron & powder  
on account  
Tuesday March the 5<sup>th</sup> 1863

this begins with a light breeze steering  
S. S. E. employed scraping the iron  
work & painting the middle part  
sually took in the light sail & put  
one reef in the topsails at daylight  
set all sail the latter part employed  
cleaning the iron work & painting it one  
sail in sight ends so lat by alt 47 S  
long by Chron 32 11 W

Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
steering S. E. by S. employed  
scraping the iron work at sunset  
one sail in sight the middle part  
pleasant the latter part one sail  
in sight ends so lat by alt 19 25 S  
long by Chron 32 11 W

Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
steering S. E. employed scraping  
the iron work & painting it at sunset  
light breeze at 8 p.m. fresh breeze  
at 10 p.m. at 11 saw the island of  
perdunard noronha Shortened sail  
& laid by at daylight made sail &  
stood in for the harbour at 8 a.m.  
toward the starboard boat & Capt  
Gifford went on shore to see if wood &  
water could be got near the Ship  
lying off & on at 11 a.m. it came  
on board the wood being too small  
& the water to be brought a long  
distant made all sail steering  
S. E. ends so



Remarks on board the Bark President  
Friday March the 6<sup>th</sup> 1863



this day begins with fresh breezes  
& squally & raining wind NNE at  
4 p.m. held up raining one sail  
in sight the middle part steering  
N by W with light airs from the  
SE saw porpoises & saw one at  
daylight the latter part watch employed  
in cleaning the anchors ends S  
lat by obs 03 04 E

Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> long by obs 33 52 W  
this day begins with light airs steering  
N watch employed cleaning the anchors  
at 4 p.m. squally & raining the middle  
part the same the latter part  
fresh breezes & raining ends S  
lat by obs 40 S

Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> long by obs 35 00 W  
this day begins with fresh breezes &  
squally & raining steering N at 3 p.m.  
saw two sails at 4 p.m. steering  
N by W the middle part pleasant  
at daylight two sail in sight the  
latter part light breezes ends S  
lat by obs 40 S

Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> long by obs 36 00 W  
this day begins with light airs steering  
N at 4 p.m. sail in sight at 3 p.m.  
rain squally at sunset cloudy the  
middle part fresh breezes steering N  
at sunrise squally the latter  
part fresh breezes & light airs  
lat by obs 01 25 E  
long by obs 37 45 W

of New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup>. Gifford Master

assistant

Tuesday March the 10<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with fresh breeze  
steering at 11 all sail set and  
blackish & confish at sunset took  
the 11 & traded the middle part  
took in fore top of sail the latter  
in part strong breeze to place of  
ends 50 lat by obs 43 02 1  
long by chron 40 25 11

Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong whole  
sail breeze steering at 11 & having  
the middle part set the fore top of  
sail at daylight moderate breeze  
the latter part watch employed about  
ship duty ends 50 lat by obs 44 58 1  
long by chron 43 16 11

Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
watch employed about ship duty at  
3 p m fresh breeze the middle part  
clear the latter part strong breeze  
steering at 11 1/2 11 watch employ  
ed about ship duty ends 50  
lat by obs 46 26 1

Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze  
steering at 11 1/2 11 watch employed  
about ship duty and purposes  
the middle part fresh breeze and  
purposes struck one last the iron  
the latter part light breeze and  
purposes struck one and last him  
ends 50 lat by obs 48 38 1  
long by chron 48 58 1



Remarks on board the Dark President  
reaccount

Saturday March the 14<sup>th</sup> 1863



this day begins with light breezes  
steering it N by N at 2 p m saw  
porpoises east two at sunset fresh  
breeze the middle part pleasant  
the latter light breeze watch employed  
about ships duty ends 5.1

Lat by obs 19 45.1 P

Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> Breeze is fresh 34<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
steering it N by N saw a snapper  
the middle part the same the latter  
part saw porpoises ends sunset by obs 11 05.1  
Long by obs 53 42 W

Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering it N by N saw porpoises  
& blackfish at 2 p m saw a sail  
the middle part fresh breeze the  
latter part took out the port  
pump found it cracked fitted it  
& put it back 30 ends lat by obs 12 30.1  
Long by obs 56 15 W

Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
& rain squalls the middle part  
pleasant the latter part watch employed  
about ships duty ends sunset by obs 14 00.1  
Long by obs 58 44 W

Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes steering  
it N by N watch employed set out  
the main topmast & top of mast had signal  
& it stay the middle part saw  
alight at daylight saw the islands of  
martinique & dominica the latter part  
saw four sails ends 30

A Sea School Sailing Gifford Harbor  
no account  
Thursday March the 18<sup>th</sup> 1868

this day begins with fresh breeze steering different courses dominica & shiles of haul up the chains and bent the at 3 1/2 p m embark at 3 1/2 fathoms in prime ruberts by the brig leannine of Westport 25 months out with 860 lb of sperm 420 all told the middle part squally the latter part washed the ship out side & break out & got ready for weathering ends so  
Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with cloudy & impeded in painting at 2 1/2 p m squally & raining at sunset pleasant & at sunrise squally the latter part got a raft of water ends so

Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup>

employed Lewis the mact aft the labor room at 4 p m took the water on board & commenced to raise the ground full the middle part squally the latter part employed raising water ends so

Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with raining sent a raft of 18 casks on shore & started away the sails & repair at 4 p m raining hard stopped work & washed up the middle part but showed the latter part crew shore in liberty & began & raining ends so



Remarks on board the Bark President  
Monday March the 23<sup>rd</sup> 1863

this day begins with a strong breeze  
& raining at 6 p.m. the bar on our  
board except squally calm & rain  
& jaglora those are missing the  
middle part more moderate with frequent  
showers of rain the latter part employed  
getting off wood and water & baskets  
wood one load ends 30

Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
& cloudy employed stowing down  
water the middle part some rain  
the latter part employed getting wood  
& water off & board of wood & one raft of  
water ends 30

Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air &  
quite pleasant got off one boat load  
of wood & 3 casks of water the middle  
part raining the latter part squally  
employed getting wood & water & pumping  
out the salt water & filling the ground  
tier with fresh got one load of wood  
& one raft of water ends 30

Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & fair  
employed in painting ship, took 3 casks shore  
sailing up wood took on board two  
boats loads the middle part pleasant  
the latter part sent a raft of casks  
on shore and painted the benches & iron  
work again one boat crew a shore sailing  
up wood ends 30

of Sea Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Bedford Mar 27<sup>th</sup>  
Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> 1862

this day begins with fine weather  
& quite pleasant took on board two boats  
load of wood & stowed it of the main  
hold the middle part a schooner came  
to anchor the latter part took on board  
5 baskets of water & one boat load of  
wood & painted the iron work in side  
making three boats in all ends 10

Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with pleasant weather  
& light breeze finished getting off wood  
& stowed of the middle part saw a  
schooner & steamer the latter part  
one Starboard watch on liberty ends 10

Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze &  
light showers of rain at sunset the  
Starboard watch came on board the  
middle part saw a steamer &  
a schooner of the harbour the  
latter part Starboard watch on liberty  
saw two schooners & one steamer  
ends 50

Monday the 30<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze &  
pleasant at sunset the Starboard watch  
came on board the middle part pleasant  
the latter part got two baskets of water  
on board & stowed the Starboard anchor  
& put the Starboard boat 80 ends 50



Remarks on board the bark President

See Journal

Tuesday March the 31<sup>st</sup> 1813

This day begins with a strong breeze  
look in the old Starboard boat put  
her overhead & stowed the larboard  
chain at 4 p m capt Gifford  
came on board at 4 1/2 look star  
anchor at 5 1/2 p m anchor stowed  
& chain the cry towards Leonivas  
Capt look his at 7 1/2 at 8 p m  
past the Leonivas at 11 p m saw  
her know more the latter part  
of the middle steering of N by  
of the latter part the same

ends so

Wednesday the 1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with strong bra-  
des steering from N by E to of the  
first point employed clearing the  
winless track it apart put it together  
again at 5 p m saw a plane in  
sight wright ahead at 10 p m past  
saw the middle part squally at day  
light Sombreere in sight the latter  
look in fore top & sail steering  
by the wind heading of it E

ends so

Lat by obs 18 18 N  
Long by Chron 63 40 W

Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze  
saw two sails at sunset heading  
of it E by the wind the middle part  
had a rainsquall the latter part  
watch employed about ships duty  
saw two phinback ends so

Lat by obs 18 40 N

Long by Chron 62 50 W

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Account

Friday April the 3<sup>th</sup> 1851  
this day begins with light breezes stirring by the wind heading S & E the middle part at 1 p.m. had a squall of rain & calm at two a.m. fresh breeze at 4 a.m. heading S & E by S the latter part water employed about ships duty ends so lat by obs 28° 51' N long by obs 71° 53' W

Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes from the E ward the middle part wind S & E with a head beat sea look in the fore top of sail heading S & E by the wind the latter part the same ends so lat by obs 28° 41' N

Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> long by obs 71° 51' W  
this day begins with strong breezes heading S & E by S the middle part a head beat sea heading S & E by the wind the latter part the same ends so lat by obs 28° 51' N long by obs 71° 51' W

Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes & rapid with a head beat sea the middle part heading S & E by E the latter part the same ends so lat by obs 28° 58' N long by obs 71° 51' W

Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes from the S & E at sunset strong & fair the middle part pleasant the latter part saw a fire ends so lat by obs 30° 32' N long by obs 71° 51' W



# Remarks on Board the Sloop President

See account

Tuesday April the 8<sup>th</sup> 1861

This day begins with light breeze steering by the wind heading from N E by E & the tide E by S at sunset steady the middle part light breezes the latter part fresh breeze ends so set by obs 31 48 N  
long by obs 52 27 W

Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze steady by the wind heading E by S saw ashore at sunset steady thick the pumps found the ship heeled in upon work the middle part steering E hauld in the weather braces at 7 at 10 saw humpbacks the latter part saw two pairs of porpoises ends so set by obs 32 35 N  
long by obs 43 23 W

Friday the 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from the Southward steering E at 8 p m past a plank at sunset thick the pumps know water wind S S W the middle part fresh breeze at 6 at 10 saw a sail at 10 at 11 saw porpoises at 11 at 12 saw two humpbacks ends so set by obs 33 23 N  
long by obs 46 14 W

Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breeze from the S W steering E by S saw humpbacks at sunset put the boats on the upper cranes the middle part wind W at 8 at 10 wind W & foggy with light air and colors at 10 at 11 saw a humpback ends so

set by obs 34 28 N  
long by obs 45 40 W

of the Bedford Sailing Ship

Monday

April the 12th 1848

This day began with a calm at 4 p.m. till  
breeze from the N.E. stirring & in the fore  
top the middle part heading E by S  
at 6 o'clock saw two sails the latter  
part strong breeze ends S. by S. 43 1/2  
long by the 40 34 1/2

Monday the 13th

This day began with fresh breeze from  
the N.E. stirring by the wind heading  
from E by S to S.E. by E at 2 1/2 p.m.  
saw two sails at 4 p.m. took in  
the fore top of sail the middle part  
heading E by S at 7 1/2 p.m. but the fore top  
of sail the latter part saw the sail  
staring staring W ends S. by S. 43 1/2  
long by the 35 02 1/2

Tuesday the 14th

This day began with light breeze  
from the N.E. stirring by the wind  
heading from E S.E. to S.E. saw a  
sail toward 4 took it on board it  
was a bit of floor & damaged at  
2 p.m. saw a sail at sunset  
heading S.S.W. at 6 1/2 p.m. took the  
purposes & saw where the middle part  
saw purposes at daylight saw a sail  
at 5 1/2 o'clock the ship heading N by E  
watch employed ends S. by S. 43 1/2  
long by the 35 02 1/2

Wednesday the 15th

This day began with light breeze heading  
N by E one sail in sight the middle part  
at 6 o'clock saw two sails in sight the latter part  
saw plank & purposes ends S.

S. by S. 43 1/2

long by the 35 02 1/2





Remarks on board the Fish Hawk

no wind

Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> 1853

This day began with a light breeze from the S. by E. at 4 p.m. saw a sail at 2 p.m. & a person at sunset heading E. by compass & made out for a bar & at sunrise saw phalaris the latter part saw phalaris & porpoises ends of lat by obs 36 48 N. long by obs 39 18 W.

Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day began with a fresh breeze from the S. by E. at 2 p.m. saw phalaris & porpoises at sunset light breeze the middle part light air at sunset phalaris the latter part saw porpoises & phalaris ends of lat

by obs 38 00 N.

Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>

long by obs 38 40 W.

This day began with light breeze from the S. by E. heading E. by compass at sunset clear & breeze at 8 p.m. saw a person the middle part light air at sunrise calm the latter calm ends of lat by obs 38 48 N.

long by obs 38 18 W.

Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup>

This day began with calm heading all round at 4 p.m. light breeze from the S. by E. heading E. by compass at 4 p.m. saw porpoises the middle part starting E. by at 7 p.m. fresh breeze at 8 p.m. saw a sail at 9 o'clock took in the main top & sail & fly jib & gaff top sail at 10 o'clock reefed fore & main top sails blowing strong from the S. by E. & gently ends of lat by obs 38 48 N.

long by obs 38 48 W.

of sea before going before anchor

Monday the 20th

This day begins with a strong S. E. breeze  
blowing by the wind backing S. by E. at  
12 p.m. saw the island of Pagan at  
6 p.m. sails of heading of 10 m. wind set  
back in the jib & spunked & fair sail &  
fore sail & paid them to start in the  
top sails & set the main spinnaker the middle  
part more moderate at day light  
made sail at 2 p.m. at the haulup the  
chairs & bent them at 11 at 11 am  
to anchor with starboard lower in 14  
fathoms of water give her 40 fathoms  
of chain & furlish the sails ends &c

Tuesday the 21st

This day begins with strong S. E. breeze  
& pleasant washed off & got up tables  
ready to breakout the oil the middle  
part light breeze commencing  
to breakout the latter part employed  
in cooping oil ends &c

Wednesday the 22nd

This day begins with light breeze &  
entire the chairs carriage first up  
saw at a target employed in  
king out & cooping at 3 p.m. the latter  
annex along side & took 6 1/2 bbl of refined  
oil a shore the freight it said lies to  
anchors here the middle part showed the  
latter part breakout cooped in rest of  
the oil & sent it on shore ends &c



Remarks on board the Bark President  
en route

Thursday April the 28th 1862

This day begins with strong S.E. breeze employed in standing off the hole at 4 p.m. finished & washed the ship the middle part pleasant the latter part painted the stern & iron work the starboard watch ashore on board for 24 hours ends S.C.

Friday the 29th

This day begins with light breeze from the S.E. & pleasant repaired the sheathing received one cask of light hoops in a fore forenoon the middle part strong breeze at 6 o'clock the starboard watch came on board & the starboard watch went ashore for 24 hours employed broke out the black fish oil & filled a short cask ends S.C.

received one man ~~at the~~ review

Saturday the 30th

This day begins with strong breeze some small squalls for the rest of the day the starboard watch the middle strong breeze with rain the starboard watch came on board at 7 o'clock & the starboard watch went ashore for 24 hours the wind S.W. the latter part the crusade gunboat came to anchor this morning employed about different jobs sent the black fish oil one short cask ends S.C.

Sunday the 1st of May

This day begins with a fresh breeze from the W. at 4 p.m. a pelagius man of war came to anchor the middle part wind light breeze the latter part the starboard watch came off & the starboard watch went ashore for 24 hours ends S.C.

of New Bedford Benjamin Giffard Master  
Monday the 22<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from  
the N E the potagers mail steamer runs  
to the middle part pleasant the latter  
part with came on board employed painted  
the iron work ends 5.0 & received the

Updated on board  
Tuesday the 23<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze at  
1 p.m. Stead the port anchor & chase  
& hold short at 4 p.m. the Capt. came  
on board took anchor out set all sail  
at 8 p.m. Stead the Starboard anchor &  
chase at 1 p.m. Stearing N W the  
middle part strong breeze the latter  
employed repaired the fly jib & dis,  
it ends 5.0 lat by 38.08 N  
long by 120.01 W

Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze  
Steering N E at 4 p.m. saw  
the Island of Flores bearing S by E  
at 4 p.m. Shorten sail & take ship  
Steering by the wind heading S by  
the wind the wind E S E the sunset  
refed 1 p.m. the middle part ready  
at sunrise made sail at 8 a.m. the  
Giffard went on shore to St. John at 10 a.m.  
received 25 large packages ends 5.0  
Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong bumpy  
breeze at 1 p.m. raised 10 dozen of apples  
& 4 men at 11 p.m. steering by the wind  
heading S the light sail on out over  
right in the ship sails increased  
pursed the latter part saw plants  
set the universal side 20 fathoms in sight



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Friday May the 1<sup>st</sup> 1864

This day begins with strong breeze  
blowing by the wind heading S. we  
phindacks employed about different jobs  
the middle part clouds at daylight  
checked the sails at 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> lights  
sails saw porpoises & phindacks can't see  
porpoises ends so lat by obs 34 37.1  
John Rose of duty long by thro 30 8 3 1/2

Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breeze from  
eastward saw phindacks & porpoises at 9 pm  
took in the main top g sail the middle  
part light breeze at daylight heading of the  
latter part heading from S S E to S  
ends so lat by obs 36 18.1  
of duty to throw bark in long by thro 4 1/2

Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes &  
light airs at 1 p m the ship at  
2 p m saw a sail at 4 1/2 the ship  
heading S E by S the middle part  
heading S S E with all sail set  
the latter part light breeze heading  
S E ends so lat by obs 38 38.1  
long by thro 28 26 1/2

Monday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light easterly  
winds strong by the wind heading  
S E by S saw porpoises can't see  
the middle part about a porpoises the  
latter part light airs & calms Andrew  
Larkin & John Rose of duty sick  
ends so lat by obs 35 18.1  
long by thro 28 11 1/2

Kept light on all night

of our Bedford being in the harbor  
Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light air from the  
N<sup>W</sup> at 3 p m saw porpoises at 8 p m  
Ship heading S by E steering by the  
wind the middle part heading E S E at 8  
at 10 the ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by N the  
latter part saw a sail John Rose  
& Andrew looking off duty sick ends  
So lost by obs 35 10 17  
Long by Chron 29 18 11

Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>  
This day begins with a light breeze  
at 2 p m the ship heading S E  
by the wind at 4 p m saw a plankton  
the middle part pleasant heading E S E at 6  
at 10 the ship heading N<sup>W</sup> by N the latter part  
saw a brig ends So lost by obs 35 23 11  
Long by Chron 26 35 11

Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup>  
This day begins with light breezes from  
the eastward heading N<sup>W</sup> by E saw porpo  
ises at sunset saw a sail the ship heading  
N<sup>W</sup> the middle part heading N<sup>W</sup> E at 6 at 10  
light airs & squally one sail in sight the  
latter part saw the island St Mary ends  
So lost by obs 36 25 17  
Long by Chron 26 34 11

Friday the 8<sup>th</sup>  
This day begins with a light with heading  
N<sup>W</sup> by N saw porpoises at sunset heading  
N<sup>W</sup> the middle part calm heading all  
around the latter part light airs and calms  
land in sight & one sail ends So  
John Rose & Andrew looking off duty  
sick

Capt Gifford has bin on well for five  
weeks troubled with profuse evacuations  
So lost by obs 36 50 17 Long by Chron 26 50 11

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Capt Gifford



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Saturday May the 5<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a light air from the N heading E one sail in sight the middle part steering E at 8 & 10 all saw the land the islands of St Mary & St Michael at 8 & 10 the ship saw porpoises the latter part calm Andrew Larkin & John Rose off duty sick Capt Gifford is the same

Ends so lat by obs 38° 11' N  
long by chron 28° 58' W

Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm heading all round saw porpoises at 4 p.m. saw a sail at 4 p.m. light air the middle part the same at 8 & 10 all calm & sails in sight the latter part the same Andrew Larkin & John Rose off duty sick Capt Gifford the same ends so

Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm heading all round land in sight & 4 sails saw porpoises at 6 p.m. light air the middle part the same at 6 & 10 light breeze from the SE the latter part wind W at 11 Andrew Larkin & John Rose off duty sick Capt Gifford about the same ends so lat by obs 38° 11' N

Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> Long by chron 28° 58' W

This day begins with a light breeze saw Pico & St George & Terceira heading 1 1/2 W by compass one sail in sight the middle part heading for Pico at daylight strong breeze the latter part two sails in sight Andrew Larkin & John Rose off duty sick ends so

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
off the east side of pico working up  
for pagal at sunset pagal in sight  
saw porpoises and caught the middle  
part pleasant at 6 1/2 at 10 saying about  
off pagal 8 1/2 at 10 capt. Gifford took  
gale sore ashore & discharged him sick  
at 10 at 11 the boat came on board  
the latter part standing off shore  
observed looking off duty sick  
ends so

Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light S W breeze  
at 8 p m sent the boat ashore capt.  
Gifford came on board & received a boat  
load of potatoes & onions at 6 p m  
steering E N E the middle part  
past the island of Graciosa at day  
light one sail in sight the latter  
part squally ends so lat by obs 39 31 N  
long by obs 29 03 W

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
steering E S E at 4 p m pleasant  
the middle part light breeze at 6 at 10 wind  
N E foggy & raining the latter part saw  
phibacks & porpoises ends so lat by obs 38 50 N  
long by obs 29 20 W

Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
steering by the wind heading S E by E  
at 5 p m saw a phiback at 6 p m not  
pleasant the middle part light air from  
the S at daylight wind W steering E S E  
the latter part the same ends so

long by obs 29 40 W  
lat by obs 38 36 N



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this day begins with a light breeze steering  
E S E at 2 p m wind N W at 4 p m  
wind N E & squally took in the light  
sail at 5 p m put the starboard boat  
on the upper reefs strong breeze & rigging  
the middle part clear with strong breeze  
set the light sails the latter part saw  
phibacks Andrew barking off duty sick getting  
better capt Gifford gaining slowly ends

So

lat by obs 39° 21' N  
long by obs 18° 50' W

Monday the 18th

this day begins with a strong breeze from  
the N E steering E S E saw porpoises  
& two sails the middle part pleasant at  
5 at 6 two sails in sight the latter part  
saw phibacks Andrew barking off duty sick  
capt Gifford not so well as yesterday  
ends So lat by obs 39° 03' N

long by obs 19° 50' W

Tuesday the 19th

this day begins with strong breezes  
steering S E by E saw porpoises at 9 p m  
three sails in sight at 4 p m light  
breezes the middle part the wind S W  
at 6 m took in the light sails steering  
S E at 5 at 6 saw phibacks hauled  
the mainsail the latter part strong breeze  
put a reef in the topsail Andrew barking  
off duty sick capt Gifford not so well

ends So

lat by obs 38° 11' N

long by obs 11° 55' W

Benjamin Gifford Master

wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze from the  
S W saw several sails & several shipbacks  
at 4 p m wind to a cloudy at 5 p m light  
breeze shook out the reef in the main top sail  
steering S S E by compass the middle part  
wind S W & squally steering by the wind  
at daylight the wind S S W steering by the wind  
heading S E the latter part 38 sails in sight  
at 12 o'clock saw the land ends so lat by obs 31° 33' P  
long by chron 91° 11' W

thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes &  
raged at 1 3/4 p m the ship heading W  
by the wind at 2 p m 31 sails in sight  
at 6 p m foggy & raining the middle part  
is cleared away at 10 o'clock we made all sail  
& faced ship the latter part saw the land  
cape St Vincent bearing S E by S faced ship  
a number of sails in sight Andrew looking  
on duty capt Gifford the same ends so

friday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a rain squall at 1  
p m took in the light sails at 5 p m put  
one reef in the top sails at 6 p m took in  
the jib & spanker & the mainsail & pulled  
them & hauled up the foresail wind west  
blowing strong in squalls & sails in sight  
steering S at 4 p m set the jib & spanker  
& foresail the middle part pleasant at 5  
o'clock set the mainsail steering S E by S  
saw several sails the latter part squally  
ends so lat by obs 36° 05' N  
long by chron 91° 11' W



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Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1863  
this day begins with strong breezes  
from the westward steering S by S  
at 5<sup>34</sup> p.m. saw sperm whales on the  
weather beam one mile off gain to  
windward & towards the two harbor  
boats know success at 7<sup>12</sup> p.m. came  
on board & equally with same rain  
shortened sail the middle part in  
at daylight set foresail at 8 o'clock set  
the jib & spanker the latter part saw  
grampuses & porpoises capt Gifford not so  
well ends so lat by obs 35° 14' N  
long by obs 73° 5' W

Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a strong breeze  
and buoyed steering S by E wind NW by W  
sailing at 4 p.m. steering by the wind  
heading N at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light breeze capt  
Gifford in a good deal of pain through the  
night at daylight repaired for Coading.  
steering N by E at 11 o'clock saw fishing  
boats at 12 o'clock saw Coading light  
house ends so

Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong breezes  
at 2 p.m. off the harbor at 2<sup>12</sup> p.m.  
hauling the wind heading N by W  
at 3 p.m. went in stays heading S by W  
at sunset took in the light sails  
capt Gifford more comfortable but  
is very sore across him at 4 p.m.  
put a reef in the topsails at 9 p.m.  
went in stays at 12 p.m. went in stays  
set the fly jib & gafftop sail split them  
both at 1 o'clock made sail latter part land 12

under of bent a new fly jib  
strong breeze & rapid weathering  
3 o'clock the wind was S by E  
at 4 o'clock S by E

of view Lockford Bedford Cape Gifford Marster  
Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breeze & raged at  
4 1/2 pm the ship saw a large number of rollers  
at 4 pm were moderate at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part wore ship at  
made all sail heading west N<sup>W</sup> wind  
at same purposes the latter part raked up  
the old fly jib cap<sup>t</sup> Gifford is gaining slowly  
by ends so lat by obs 39 55 N<sup>W</sup>  
long by chron 10 11<sup>W</sup>

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from  
the N<sup>W</sup> the ship heading N<sup>E</sup> by E  
saw conchish & porpoises at 8 pm  
saw a steamer at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part wore ship at daylight calm  
saw blackfish gain quick at 9 30 light  
breeze made all sail the latter part put  
a eyebolt in the main mast for the spar  
her quaff & put new shivers in the latter  
deck blocks cap<sup>t</sup> Gifford about the same  
one sail in sight ends solat by obs 38 10 N<sup>W</sup>  
long by chron 6 53 11<sup>W</sup>

Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze from  
the N<sup>W</sup> heading N<sup>W</sup> at 4 pm heading  
N<sup>W</sup> at 11<sup>W</sup> saw conchish & porpoises at sun  
set the ship & shortened sail heading  
N<sup>E</sup> at 5 pm wore ship heading N<sup>W</sup>  
at 11<sup>W</sup> the middle part the same the  
latter part saw several sail ends so lat by obs 38 29 N<sup>W</sup>  
cap<sup>t</sup> Gifford the same long by chron 08 12 11<sup>W</sup>

Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze at 3 pm  
shook the barke wore cap<sup>t</sup> fish 160 lbs of sperm oil  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
sight air at daylight made all sail the latter part  
saw several sail ends so lat by obs 38 42 N<sup>W</sup> long by chron 08 27 11<sup>W</sup>



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Sea account <sup>day</sup> Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with a light breeze from  
the N<sup>W</sup> steering different courses at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light air  
at daylight made all sail cruising saw a  
number of sails the latter part saw porpoise  
& phinbacks ends so lat by obs 35° 41' N  
capt Gifford's better long by obs 06° 00' W

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup>

this begins with a calm at 2 p m  
a light air saw porpoises at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part strong  
breeze at daylight made sail several  
vessels in sight the latter part rugged  
ends so lat by obs 35° 43' N  
long by obs 06° 46' W

Monday June the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes &  
rugged several sails in sight saw  
blackfish at sunset shortened sail the  
middle part were ship at daylight made  
sail & bent a new gaff top sail employed  
in repairing the spanker at 10<sup>30</sup> AM  
saw sperm whales towards all three boats  
the waist boat got one & the Starboard  
boat one ends so lat by obs 35° 43' N  
long by obs 07° 12' W

Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with the fresh breezes  
got ready & cut in the whales the Bark  
were in sight the middle part employed  
cutting up blubber at sunrise light  
breezes made all sail the latter  
part finished & washed up several  
sails in sight ends so

lat by obs 36° 10' N  
long by obs 06° 54' W

huddley raised three whales

of New Bedford Design Gifford Master

Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
started the work at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part pleasant at daylight  
made sail employed <sup>light</sup> the latter part saw porpoises  
ends 30 lat by obs  $38^{\circ} 42'$

long by chron 10 11

Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
employed sailing at 6 1/2 pm finished sailing  
at sunset shortened sail saw several sails  
the middle part pleasant at daylight made  
sail the latter part saw cowfish & porpoises  
the bark made in sight ends 30 lat by obs  $38^{\circ} 41'$

long by chron 0640 11

Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the  
N<sup>W</sup> at 2 pm saw the land at 5 1/4 pm  
light breeze went in stages heading N by W  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air at daylight made all sail  
the latter part stowed down the oil  
cask saw blackfish & porpoises ends 30  
lat by obs 11

long by chron 11

Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm saw  
3 sail at 1 1/4 pm light breeze at 8 1/4  
pm spoke the bark benjamin franklin  
capt. brady at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part pleasant at daylight  
made all sail one sail in sight  
the latter part light air saw  
porpoises ends 30 lat by obs  $38^{\circ} 26'$

long by chron 08 10 11



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Sunday June the 4<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with a light breeze  
saw white water at 1 p m saw  
phinkies two whales in sight saw blackfish  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
heading  $41^{\circ}$   $11^{\circ}$   $11^{\circ}$  at daylight made sail  
the latter part in sight  
ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ}$   $15'$   $11''$   
long by obs  $68^{\circ}$   $48'$   $11''$

Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
saw grampuses at 5<sup>30</sup> light air heading  
to the middle part the same at 6  
A m went in stays at 8<sup>30</sup> A m saw a  
large steamer the latter part employ  
ed repairing the chainsail saw  
phinkies ends so lat by obs  $34^{\circ}$   $54'$   $11''$   
long by obs  $66^{\circ}$   $55'$   $11''$

Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
at 1 p m went in stays at 6 p m  
bent the all sail at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part in light air at  
daylight made sail the latter part  
repaired the fore top of sail one  
sail in sight ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ}$   $33'$   $11''$   
long by obs  $67^{\circ}$   $04'$   $11''$

Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
at 3 p m saw the land at 6 p m  
saw porpoises at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part wore ship at sunrise  
set all sail the bark went off  
the lee saw the land at 8<sup>30</sup> A m  
saw the wake boats after whales  
& we lowered the two barbed boats  
the wake boats struck at 11<sup>15</sup> came on

looked at all these boats  
ends 50 or 60 miles off  
in the morning

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Shooster  
Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a rain squall  
lost a new jib all one bursted at 1  
p m all sail set whales in sight  
coming to leeward at 3 1/4 p m leeward  
the Starboard boats at 5 1/2 p m the  
starboard <sup>boat</sup> leeward at sunset the Starboard  
boat struck & then the other two boats  
the ~~Starboard~~ <sup>waist</sup> & starboard boats each sank  
one the waist boat cut line being foul  
of the leeward boat line at 10 p m  
along side & flaked the middle part  
got ready for cutting at daylight  
commenced cutting at 8 the saw  
branches spoke the waice at 8 & all  
finished cutting the latter part  
employed cutting up blubber ends  
so lat by lobs 34 58 11  
long by lobs 20 11

Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze  
& a heavy swell at sunset shortened  
sail land in sight at 4 p m  
started the waikes the middle pleasant  
at daylight made all sail employed  
boiling the latter part two sails in  
sight ends so lat by lobs 35 08 11  
long by lobs 20 06 11

Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze employed  
boiling at 4 a p m took in the light sails  
at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part finished boiling at daylight calmed one  
sail in sight the latter part signs seen  
saw porpoises ends so lat by lobs 35 18 11  
long by lobs 20 38 11



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saw account Sunday June the 14<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with a fresh breeze one  
sail in sight at 1 1/2 p.m. took in the  
light sails at 4 p.m. strong breeze hauled  
the mainsail at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light breeze at daylight  
made sail land in sight at 7 1/2 strong  
breeze & rugged the latter part & sail  
in sight ends so lat by obs 33° 36' N  
long by the 06 48 W

Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
saw blackfish & porpoises saw several  
sails at sunset shortened sail hauled  
18 miles off the middle part light  
breeze at daylight thick fog at 5 1/2 at 11  
made sail employed stowing down  
the sail the latter part finished &  
stowed off ends so land 4 miles off

Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
the fog cleared away at 2 p.m.  
strong breeze run two shots off  
tongue the larboard boat lost fire  
at 3 p.m. saw the bark wave  
& tracked ship at sunset shortened  
sail & out of sight the middle  
part moderate at daylight made sail  
& fitted the main topsail tacks & rope  
& repaired gile & bent it & ran topsails  
sailsail repaired ends so lat by obs 33° 03' N  
long by the 06 13 W

7 Thomas

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a strong breeze & sail  
in sight at 5 p m spoke the B. Franklin  
had taken 30 bls of sperm oil at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part fresh breeze  
at 5 p m all sail set land in sight  
& also the B. Franklin at 8 p m saw alone  
whale a head of the ship 1/2 miles off gain to  
the windward towards all three boats &  
closewardward about 11 o'clock the Starboard  
boat struck him & killed him & commenced  
towing ends so

Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with moderate & pleasant North  
breezes with some swell all three boats towed  
the whale down to the ship at 3 1/4 had him along  
side & flaked at 4 p m commenced cutting at  
6 1/2 the B. Franklin part to the windward at 8 1/2  
had the head off & jaw in & one half of the  
body in the middle part worked employed  
cutting up blubber at 11 p m flake-chop part  
called all hands & put one of the cables on  
sent all hands below at daylight flaked  
all hand & cut in the body and cut in the  
flank & one employed clearing away the car-  
cass ends so

Lat by obs 35° 30' N  
Long by obs 71° 15' W

Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh N E breezes  
at 1/4 case out and started the work employed  
cutting up blubber at 8 p m all cut the mid-  
dle part cutting junk as fast as wanted  
at 6 p m two boats in sight at 8 p m all  
cut the latter some swell ends so

Lat by obs 35° 46' N  
Long by obs 71° 34' W

the small vessel this whale

10000 lbs



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See account Saturday June the 20<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with moderate breeze and  
pleasant hailing at 4 p m saw the wave  
& B frankling the middle part employed  
beating the latter part stowed down the  
head & finished hailing & picked up a broken  
spar and 20 lat logs 35 1/2  
long by 12 1/2

Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze &  
pleasant stowed up at 4 p m saw  
the wave & B frankling at 5 p m  
spoke the wave at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part more moderate  
at daylight made sail the bark wave  
in sight the latter part strong breeze  
& ragged land in sight ends 30

lat logs 38 36 1/2

Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

long by 12 1/2 06 42 1/2

this day begins with strong breezes &  
ragged at 4 p m land 10 miles off more  
moderate at sunset shortened sail  
bark wave in sight the middle part  
light breezes the latter part thick  
fog stowed down the sail ends 30

lat logs 38 36 1/2  
land 10 miles off

Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light air stowed  
off the hole at 3 p m fog lit up saw  
two sails & several fish boats at 4 p  
m wind off shore ship heading off shore  
the middle part calm at daylight  
made all sail at 8 p m thick fog  
at 10 o'clock the fog lit up saw  
the land & 3 sails ends 30  
land in sight

of old Bedford George Gifford Master

Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs & calms at 4<sup>th</sup> 9 sail in sight & porpoises at 3 p.m. saw whaler the bark waice the middle part calm the latter part put up some large six mersullia for cutting guys sever  
all sail in sight saw one stunner  
ends S.S

lat by obs 35 35 N  
long by obs 06 44 W

Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm at 10 p.m. made all sail & sails in sight at sunset shortened sail the middle part light breeze at daylight fresh breeze at 10<sup>th</sup> p.m. & calm sent down the fore topsail & bent another the latter part employed repairing the fore topsail saw several vessels & the bark waice ends so lat by obs

lat by obs 35 15 N  
long by obs 06 44 W

Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm ship heading all round watch employed repairing the fore top sail at 3 light breeze at 4<sup>th</sup> calm at 5 p.m. light air at sunset furled the light sails standing & hazy the middle part light breeze at daylight hazy the latter part the same light air & calms ends so lat by obs

lat by obs 35 15 N  
long by obs 06 44 W

Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & calms & hazy at 2 p.m. saw the D. franklin at 3<sup>th</sup> p.m. spoke the franklin made & exchange of a spare spars for flage & other thing employed repairing the fore top sail at sunset shortened sail raining & thunder in the distant the middle part saw the land at daylight 10 miles off squally & raining the latter the same with light winds & calms saw killers & porpoises ends S.S



Remarks on board the bark President  
Saw account Sunday June the 28<sup>th</sup> 1863  
this day begins with light air & calms  
foggy & rainy saw two sails at 9 p.m.  
light air the Be frankling in sight  
at 4 1/2 p.m. calms at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light air at sunrise made  
all sail the latter part Be frankling &  
waice ends so land in sight lat by obs 35 42 N  
long by obs 63 41 W

Monday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light breeze  
steering different courses saw several  
sails & shipbacks & porpoises at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part light air at daylight saw  
several vessels made all sail at 6 a.m. saw  
porpoises at 11 1/2 a.m. light breeze land in  
sight ends so lat by obs 38 38 N  
long by obs 64 44 W

Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes Benjie  
frankling & waice in sight to windward  
at 4 p.m. fresh breeze at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part light breeze at  
daylight saw a steamer made all sail  
at 6 p.m. fresh breeze the latter part  
three vessels in sight ends so lat by obs 38 32 N  
long by obs 64 16 W

Wednesday the July the 1<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with strong breeze at  
5 p.m. saw the bark at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part more moderate at day  
light light breeze made sail at  
sunset all saw the bark waice & the  
Be frankling the latter part saw  
porpoises & cowfish ends so  
lat by obs 38 13 N  
long by obs 64 11 W

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A New Bedford Dory Gifford Master  
Thursday July the 2<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze at 1 p.m.  
fresh breeze at 2 p.m. took in the light  
sails at sunset shortened sail strong breeze  
& raged the middle part more moderate  
at sunrise made sail at 5 a.m. saw Cape St  
Mary & phinbacks all round at 7 a.m. light air  
& considerable swell the latter part saw 4 steamers  
ends so Lat by obs  $36^{\circ} 46'$  N  
Long by obs  $69^{\circ} 36'$  W

Friday the 3<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light air from the  
S. & at 2 p.m. light breeze & heavy swell  
heading S. S. W. at sunset shortened sail  
saw two steamers the middle part light breeze  
at daylight saw two sails strong breeze made sail  
at 1/2 light air made all sail the latter part  
calm ends so Lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 48'$  N  
Long by obs  $69^{\circ} 25'$  W

Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm one sail in sight  
at 3 p.m. light breeze saw a phinback at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light air at  
daylight saw the B. franklin hunting at sunrise  
made all sail at 1/2 a.m. spoke the  
B. franklin had taken one whale the night  
before the latter part fresh breezes from  
the eastward ends so Lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 14'$  N  
Long by obs  $66^{\circ} 47'$  W

Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze saw several  
sails at 3 1/2 p.m. saw a breach to windward 4 miles  
off at 4 1/2 p.m. took in ship at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part light breeze at daylight  
fresh breeze made sail at 8 a.m. all sail  
set land in sight the latter part light  
breeze ends so Lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 29'$  N  
Long by obs  $67^{\circ} 15'$  W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
Monday July the 6<sup>th</sup> 1863  
this day begins with a light air at  
sunset shortened sail the middle part  
pleased at daylight light air made all sail  
at 5 & 10 calm at 6 & 11 thick fog  
at 8 & 11 fog & calm at 10 & 11 fine  
became the latter the same ends lat  $35^{\circ} 30' N$   
long by chron  $06^{\circ} 5' W$

Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze saw  
several sail at 3 1/4 p.m. tracked ship at  
5 1/2 p.m. saw a wreck 4 miles off the  
bar at 6 p.m. saw spouts sperm whales  
a schooner on the lee bow run past  
them & started them at 6 1/4 p.m. no board  
all three boats at 8 p.m. the barbed  
boat struck at 8 p.m. took him a long  
dirt and flaked him & shortened sail  
the middle part ship laying aback at  
daylight took the whale in whole & made  
sail & cleared away the whale the latter  
part minced the blubber saw porpoises & two  
sails in sight ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 15' N$   
long by chron  $02^{\circ} 11' W$

Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light breeze from  
the N. by E three sails in sight at 7 1/2  
p.m. spoke the Bark wide capt Fisher  
& shortened sail the middle part fine  
breeze at daylight made all sail two  
sails in sight at 8 & 11 saw porpoises  
& porpoises & a corker's employing boiling  
the latter part finished took in sight  
ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 24' N$   
long by chron  $06^{\circ} 5' W$

July 8<sup>th</sup> Advance sailed these whales

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze from the  
S. S. E. no sails at sunset shortened sail the  
middle part light air at daylight light air & calms  
at 8 o'clock fine breeze all sail set the latter  
part was in stays ends so lat by obs 35° 13' N  
long by obs 69° 14' W

Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze at 4 p m  
saw a sail off the weather bow at 5 p m  
saw a boat sail at 5 1/2 p m the vessel luffed  
to the wind with head yards a back at 6 p m  
saw a boat & went on board the vessel she  
had been a chasing whales all day had two  
along side at 6 1/2 p m came on board the  
B. Franklin in sight off the lee at sunset  
shortened sail heaving to windward the middle  
part light air at daylight made all sail  
lands in sight light air & calms the latter  
part fine breeze ends so lat by obs 35° 15' N  
long by obs 69° 26' W

Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze the Barker  
vessel in sight at 3 p m saw blackfish  
at 4 p m two sails in sight at sunset shorten  
ed sail the middle part light air at daylight  
made all sail the Barker vessel & B. Franklin  
in sight light air & fog the latter part  
light breeze ends so lat by obs 35° 18' N  
long by obs 69° 08' W

Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fine breeze at  
2 1/2 p m 4 sails at 3 1/2 p m saw the land  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air at daylight light air from the  
S made all sail at 8 o'clock thick fog  
the latter part the same ends S. S.



Remarks on board the Bark President  
sea account July Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a light breeze from  
the N E ship laying aback thick fog  
at 3 p m fine breeze raised a full  
tacked ship fog lifted some at 6 p m  
6 sails in sight at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light airs at daylight made  
all sail three sails in sight light airs &  
calms at 8 1/2 at 11 light breeze saw the Bark  
war & Dufranklin's latter part saw porpoises  
ends S.O lat by obs 38° 33' N  
long by chro 06° 45' W

Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze  
at 3 p m tacked ship at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part light air at daylight  
made all sail light airs the latter part  
light breeze two sails in sight lat by obs 38° 28' N  
long by chro 07° 00' W

Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze at 9 m  
a 1/2 spoke the Dufranklin's the middle part  
light air at day light made sail  
3 sails light airs & calms the latter part  
saw porpoises and one end S.O lat by obs 38° 19' N  
long by chro 06° 40' W

Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fine breeze  
all sail set heading at N E by the wind  
at 4 p m tacked ship Dufranklin's in sight  
at sunset shortened sail at daylight made  
sail two sails in sight the latter part  
saw porpoises & landed ends S.O  
lat by obs 38° 13' N  
long by chro 06° 31' W



of New Bedford Benj'm Gifford Master

in account

Friday July the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze land in sight the B frankling & bark were in sight at 6 p m bark out of sight at sunset Shortened sail the middle part light air at daylight made sail at 6 a m calm saw a large quantity of porpoises smoky & grey the latter part fine breeze B frankling in sight ends so lat by obs 34 25 N long by chro 69 08 W

Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze at 2 p m saw the land at sunset Shortened sail the middle part calm at daylight the same the latter part light air made all sail land in sight ends so lat by obs 34 35 N long by chro 66 44 W

Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air the Bark B frankling in sight to windward at 8 p m light breeze at sunset heading W by N land out of site the middle part light breeze at daylight calm saw porpoises at 5 a m saw sperm whales at 8 40 a m saw all three boats at 10 30 a m the larboard boat struck & ran whales went different ways killed him the Starboard & waist boat in chase to leeward the Benj'm frankling in sight ends so lat by obs 34 36 N long by chro 66 55 W

Monday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze at 4 p m took the whale along side the Starboard & waist boat out of site from the ship saw last bearing S S E made all sail wind at steering S S E with the whale along side the B frankling took a whale a long side at sunset set two light one on the m royal yard at 5 1/2 p m took in all sail but the top sails the head yards abaft

Remains of the Russell





Remarks on board the Bark President  
 seen recently heading  $11^{\circ}$  by  $11^{\circ}$  at 5 light air & pleasant  
 the middle the same at 4 p m got ready  
 for cutting at 5 p m commenced cutting  
 the Bark Frankling in sight pass at 5 p m saw  
 a chancer at 6 p m saw the Starboard Boat  
 bearing  $11^{\circ}$  by  $11^{\circ}$  the larboard boat  
 at 7 p m the Starboard boat along  
 side took her up the larboard boat gone  
 to the waist boat ship steering  $11^{\circ}$   
 by  $11^{\circ}$  employed in cutting the Bark  
 Frankling cutting ends much the same  
 Lat.  $34^{\circ} 23' N$

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Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
 this day begins with light & breezy winds  
 ship steering for the waist boat & larboard  
 Boat that is towing a whale that the waist  
 boat fasten yesterday at 4 p m at 1 p m  
 saw the waist & larboard Boats at 2  
 p m today in the head of saw 3 sperm  
 whales off the weather beam going quick to  
 windward the waist Boat left her whale  
 toward the starboard boat the waist Boat  
 got a small one the starboard Boat took  
 him in tow & the waist went on board  
 at 3 p m took her yesterday whale along  
 side at 3 1/4 took up the boat at 4 p m took  
 the other whale along side & took up  
 the Boat at 4 1/2 took in the head at 4  
 p m started the work's ship heading to  
 the eastward tow whales along side the  
 middle part cut up the junk at 6 o'clock  
 blubber cut up the Benja frankling  
 in sight saw the Benja frankling  
 take another whale along side yester  
 day the latter part employed cutting  
 & Boilling ends so lat by  $34^{\circ} 11' N$   
 the Benja frankling heading by  $11^{\circ}$  by  $11^{\circ}$

of our before Benjamin Gifford Master

Wednesday July 22<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with light breezes employed cutting  
& bailing at 4 p m more cutting & cast <sup>hauled</sup> over board  
the middle part employed cutting blubber & junk  
the latter part cut in the small whale &  
sent down the falls ends so lat by ab 34 11 N  
long by chro 72 25 W

Thursday the 23<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes & pleasant  
finished cutting up the blubber & had employed  
bailing the middle part pleasant at daylight  
made sail at 8 a m saw the wave the latter  
part spoke the back wave ends so lat by ab 34 50 N  
long by chro 72 5 W

Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh North breezes ship  
heaving & by 11 all hands employed bailing  
& fitting craft at sunset shortened sail the blubber  
in sight the middle part employed bailing at daylight  
thick fog at 8 a m fog bit up saw the wave  
to windward at 8 a m finished bailing the  
latter part washed off the ship ends so  
lat by ab 34 43 N

Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from  
the land employed breaking out bread  
& flour <sup>crust</sup> & casks of bread & one of flour  
to fresh water in the cask at sunset shortened  
sail at daylight thick fog breaking out to  
starboard the oil the latter stowing down the oil  
two sail in sight ends so lat by ab  
long by chro 71 11 W

Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs at sunset in  
shed stowing down soap & dishes clear middle part  
pleasant at daylight washed ship & made sail  
the latter part fresh breeze ends so lat by ab 34 26 N  
long by chro 71 31 W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
on account July Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with fresh north breezes  
saw killers saw the Benja frankling &  
made at 5 1/2 p m spoke the frankling  
had 180 bbl all told the middle part tight  
made the latter at daylight made all sail  
Bark was in sight at 5 o'clock saw the Benja  
frankling the latter part strong breezes  
took in the light sails ends so lat by obs 39° 36' N  
long by chro 69° 28' W

Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes from  
the N E ship heading eastward at  
4 p m more moderate at sunset shortened  
sail Benja frankling in sight the middle  
part light breezes at daylight made sail the  
latter part fresh breeze ends so lat by obs 39° 36' N  
long by chro 69° 10' W

Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light whole sail breezes  
at 1 p m the saw the wave employed  
repairing the tryworks at sunset shortened  
sail & spoke the Benja frankling the middle  
part light air at daylight made sail & sent  
down the main top of sail to repair at  
9 o'clock sent it up & bent it & set it the  
Benja frankling in sight & wave latter  
part saw porpoises ends so lat by obs 39° 03' N  
long by chro 66° 23' W

Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes at 4 p m  
strong breezes took in the light sails  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air at daylight made all sail land  
in sight at 8 o'clock saw the latter part  
light breeze one sail in sight  
ends so lat by obs 39° 50' N  
long by chro 66° 51' W

of above Bedford Benja Gifford Master  
Friday the 31<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze Benja frank  
ling in sight & land in sight saw porpoises  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part light  
breeze at daylight made all sail saw porpoises out  
8 & 16 past a schooner the latter part tacked ship  
ends so

lat by obs  $39^{\circ} 23'$  N  
long by chro  $09^{\circ} 11'$  W

August Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light breezes & pleasant  
at 1 p m saw a sail at 4 p m three sail's  
in sight at sunset shortened sail Benja  
frankling in sight the middle part pleasant  
at daylight made all sail saw porpoises &  
small fish the latter part land in sight  
ends so

lat by obs  
long by chro

Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
Benja frankling in sight at 8 p m  
Spoke the frankling & got some meal  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light airs at daylight made all sail Bark  
waive in sight the latter part Benja frank  
ling in sight ends so lat by obs  $39^{\circ} 59'$  N  
long by chro  $09^{\circ} 10'$  W

Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze at 4  
p m saw the land at sunset sunset shortened  
sail the middle part light breeze at daylight  
made sail land in sight the latter part  
saw the Benja frankling off the lee saw  
porpoises ends so lat by obs  $38^{\circ} 30'$  N  
long by chro  $06^{\circ} 50'$  W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
July August the 4<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with a fresh breeze saw phin'tacks  
at 5 1/2 p m saw the north cape Benj<sup>n</sup> frankling in  
sight at sunset shortened sail the middle part light  
breeze at daylight and sail in sight land in sight made  
sail at 8 a m saw the Benj<sup>n</sup> frankling the latter part  
saw a canoe ends so lat by obs 35° 28' N  
long by obs 06° 39' W

Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the N at 7 p m  
saw the Shark wave land in sight at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part pleasant at daylight fresh breeze  
made sail land in sight & Benj<sup>n</sup> frankling the latter  
part two sails in sight ends so lat by obs 34° 40' N  
long by obs 06° 55' W

Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a fresh breeze shortened the rattins  
on the lower rigging at 4 1/2 p m saw a bear at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light air at daylight  
thick fog & calm at 10 a m light breeze all sail  
set & quiet clear the latter one sail in sight  
saw porpoises ends so lat by obs 33° 51' N  
long by obs 07° 44' W

Friday the 7<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze &  
a heavy swell saw porpoises & large flocks  
of birds at 6 p m fresh breeze at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part light breezes at daylight made  
sail the latter part fresh breeze lat by obs 32° 10' N  
long by obs 07° 53' W

Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes from the N at 10 a m  
saw porpoises & grasshoppers at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part fresh breeze at daylight made  
all sail the latter part calm & light air one  
sail in sight ends so lat by obs 34° 40' N  
long by obs 07° 14' W

Remarks on board the Bark President of new Be. 4 p m

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze two sails at 4 pm  
the breeze freshening fast to windward at 4 1/2 pm  
spoke the wave at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
fresh breeze at daylight made sail at 8 and saw a sail  
at 11 and saw land the latter part saw porpoises  
& small fish ends so lat by obs 34° 45' N  
long by obs 66° 48' W

Monday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this begins with strong breezes from the S.W. & 4  
pleasant saw porpoises at sunset shortened sail  
at daylight light breeze made all sail at 7 and 16  
light air from the S.E. & thick fog at 8 and 16  
calm at 10 and 16 light breeze from the E. & E  
the latter part fog lit up took in the light  
sails breeze freshens ends so lat by obs 38° 10' N  
long by obs 66° 54' W

Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze at 1 1/2  
pm reefed topsails & hauled the main course  
& wore ship heading S.E. by E thick haze at sun  
set shortened sail the middle part light air at  
daylight thick fog the latter part the same  
ends so lat by obs 38° 00' N  
long by obs 66° 54' W

Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from the N  
fog lit up made all sail at 2 pm land  
in sight saw a sail at 3 1/2 pm's point after  
the weather how saw her towards her boats &  
pulled to windward towards all three boats &  
pulled to windward at half an hour before sundown  
spoke her boats they had 3 whales the rest  
went to windward we pulled til sundown  
but saw nothing & went on board & histed up the  
boats & shortened sail the middle part light breeze at daylight  
made all sail saw blackfish & two sails the latter part saw the  
wave hating ends so lat by obs 38° 00' N long by obs 67° 04' W

of R. Remondin and Leonard Remondin



Remarks on board the Bark President

See account

Thursday August the 13<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with light airs the Bark was in sight  
at 4 1/2 p m we saw blackfish in quick at sunset shortened  
sail at daylight wind South light breeze saw three  
sails the latter part light airs & hazy ends

Lat by obs 35° 22' N  
Long by Chron 64° 48' W

Friday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the  
westward steering S. at sunset shortened sail  
middle part laced with head yards aloft at daylight  
4 sails in sight made all sail the latter part  
saw the Benjine frankling ends so lat by obs 35° 23' N

Long by Chron 66° 34' W

Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze at 1 p m  
saw two turtle saw porpoises at sunset  
the Benjine frankling in sight shortened  
sail the middle part light breeze at daylight  
3 sails made all sail the Benjine frankling  
in sight the latter part light airs & calms  
ends so

Lat by obs 35° 10' N  
Long by Chron 66° 22' W

Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs from  
the N. at 3 p m fog at 3 1/2 p m thick  
fog out 5 p m fog lit up the Benjine frankling  
in sight at sunset shortened sail heaving  
to eastward the middle part strong breezes  
at daylight fresh breeze heaving N W by W  
thence sail the latter part light breeze  
all sail set steering E. N. E. saw  
porpoises ends so lat by obs 35° 22' N

Long by Chron 66° 50' W

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Almarston  
Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from the N at 2  
p m saw the land & a sail at sunset saw a storm  
& porpoise shortened sail heading off shore with light  
air the middle part calm at daylight saw the  
land made all sail light air from the N at  
10 & all fresh breeze latter part one  
sail in sight ends so lat by obs  $33^{\circ} 25' N$   
long by chron  $66^{\circ} 58' W$

Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
from the N at 2 p m wave in sight  
to windward at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light air at daylight made sail  
& sent down the in topsail to repair the latter  
part wave in sight ends so lat by obs  $N$   
long by chron  $W$

Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze saw the  
Benjamin frankling at 4 p m lost the in topsail  
at 6 p m spoke the wave & frankling at  
sunset shortened sail the middle part light  
air at daylight light air & calms made  
all sail the Benjamin frankling in sight  
& wave the latter part saw porpoises  
ends so lat by obs  $33^{\circ} 03' N$   
long by chron  $67^{\circ} 53' W$

Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
at 2 p m saw the land at 4 p m  
one sail in sight at sunset shorten  
sail the middle part fresh breeze at daylight  
strong breeze at 8 & all saw two sail  
the latter part more moderate all sail  
set heading E S E Wind N E ends so  
capt Gifford that lat by obs  $33^{\circ} 20' N$   
so still long by chron  $68^{\circ} 54' W$



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May 29<sup>th</sup> 1863

Remarks on board the Bark President  
Friday August the 21<sup>st</sup> 1863  
this day begins with a fresh breeze from  
the S<sup>E</sup> at 1 p m saw the land at 2 p m  
steering S<sup>W</sup> took in light sails at 4 p m  
saw two sails at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light breeze at daylight calmer  
the latter part light air ends S at lat by obs 34° 58' N  
long by thro 06 08 50 W

Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
this day begins with a light breeze at 2  
p m saw two steamers at 5 p m  
saw the franklin at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part strong breezes at daylight  
saw two sails at sunrise set jil & spanker  
the latter part set the mainsail 4 sails  
in sight ends S at lat by obs 35° 34' N  
long by thro 07 16 41 W

Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
this day begins with strong breezes  
saw 3 sails for purposes at 5 p m  
land in sight at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part strong breeze at daylight  
saw two sails land in sight at 6 p m  
on the in shore tack the latter part  
all sail set light air ends S  
lat by obs 35° 14' N  
long by thro 07 00 41 W

Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze from  
the S<sup>E</sup> steering S<sup>W</sup> at 4 p m heading  
by the wind past a brig on the in shore  
tack at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part fresh breeze from the E at daylight  
saw three sails made sail the latter  
part saw Benj<sup>n</sup> franklin ends S  
lat by obs 35° 21' N  
long by thro 07 04 41 W

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
 Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with light breeze all sail  
 set at 4 p m spoke the franklin  
 at sunset all sail set steering by the wind  
 heading N<sup>W</sup> by W the middle part heading  
 N<sup>W</sup> by W at 6 saw sperm whales the Benj<sup>n</sup>  
 in sight off the lee whales join to the  
 S<sup>W</sup> at 8 Benj<sup>n</sup> franklin 1 1/2 miles  
 off at 8 1/4 & 16 towards the two barboard  
 boats & the franklin towards two boats  
 a short time after the barboard boat  
 struck the line got haul of a mother & two  
 one iron and parted from the other  
 the latter part struck another & the  
 franklin boats got two at 12 at 16  
 the other two boats went on bar  
 whales join to windward ends S<sup>W</sup>

Lat by obs 35° 18' N  
 Long by obs 31° 11' W

Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with a fresh breeze from  
 the N<sup>W</sup> at 4 p m the starboard & waist  
 boat towards whales on the lee beam the  
 cooper lost side of these boats frame  
 are hoard Capt Gifford then went  
 aloft & raised the whales the barboard  
 boat laying by her whale 8 miles off at 4  
 p m took the whale along side & cut  
 him in at sunset the Benj<sup>n</sup> franklin  
 cutting steering by the wind heading N<sup>W</sup> by W  
 the middle part the same at twilight  
 started the work the latter part also  
 employed hauling ends so lat by obs 35° 06' N  
 Long by obs 31° 25' W

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Manchester Raised A Large



Remarks on board the bark President  
Thursday August the 27<sup>th</sup> 1863  
this day begins with light airs at 4 p m  
light breeze from the N W steering by the  
wind heading N N E employment hauling  
the middle part finished hauling all sail  
set at daylight squally & rainy took in the  
light sails & tacked ship heading N by E  
the latter part cloudy & all sail set  
ends so lat by obs 35° 59' N  
long by Chron 69° 55' W

Friday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes from  
the N W heading N by E the middle  
heading N at 5 & all heading N E by E  
with a head swell the latter part light  
airs & calms ends so lat by obs 37° 10' N  
long by Chron 68° 05' W

Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with the light airs from  
the N N W at 4 p m light breeze  
steering by the wind heading N by W  
the middle part heading N light airs the latter  
part light airs & calms ends so lat by obs 36° 45' N  
long by Chron 67° 00' W

Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light airs from the N W  
ship making little or no way at 6 p m  
light air from the N N W heading N by E the  
middle the middle part calm the latter part  
light air four sails in sight & one steamer  
this day ends so lat by obs 36° 35' N  
long by Chron 66° 23' W

Monday the 31<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze from the  
N heading N by E by the wind the middle  
part heading N by W at 5 & all fresh breeze  
steering N W the latter part strong breeze  
ends so lat by obs 37° 03' N long by Chron 64° 05' W

of New Hampshire Surgeon General Director  
 on board this day September the 1<sup>st</sup> 1863  
 this day begins with strong breeze from the  
 S.W. steering N.W. the middle part the same  
 the latter part saw two sails sails so  
 lat by obs 39° 50' N  
 long by obs 124° 48' W

Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 this day begins with strong breezes from  
 the N.W. steering N.W. by W at 3 p.m.  
 steering by the wind heading W. S.W. the  
 middle part squally with strong & light  
 breezes the latter part squally took in the light  
 sails & set them again heading from W. to  
 west by N ends so lat by obs 39° 42' N  
 long by obs 126° 44' W

Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 this day begins with strong breezes & squally  
 heading from W. to W. S.W. the middle part  
 squally & raining heading W. took in the light  
 sails & put one reef in the top sails at 5 o'clock  
 out reefs at 8 o'clock all sail set steering  
 N.W. the latter part strong breezes &  
 cloudy ends so lat by obs 39° 18' N  
 long by obs 129° 24' W

Friday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with strong breezes from the  
 N.W. steering N.W. by N all sail set at  
 1 1/2 p.m. for many hours at 4 1/2 p.m. saw  
 St Michael at 6 p.m. steering N.W. with  
 a fresh breeze the middle part light air St.  
 Michael 18 miles off at 3 o'clock point Ferraria  
 bearing N.E. by E the wind N.E. steering  
 N.W. by N the latter part light air and  
 calms saw grasshoppers ends so lat by obs 39° 12' N  
 long by obs 129° 06' W

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Saturday September the 5<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with light air & calms  
saw a schooner at 6 p.m. light air steering  
N.W. the middle part calm the latter part  
light air & calms ends so lat by obs N 10°  
long by obs W

Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air at 2 p.m.  
saw two vessels at 4 p.m. saw graciosa &  
St George at 7 p.m. light breeze from the  
N.E. steering by the wind heading N.W.  
the middle calm the latter part  
light air St George bearing N.E. point  
distant 15 miles ends so

This day begins with light air at 2 1/2 p.m.  
Monday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from the  
N.E. steering N.W. at 6 p.m. middle  
part of Rio bearing N. saw grasses  
& one sail the middle part heading N.W.  
by W light air at 6 o'clock of the harbour  
of Poyat at 6 o'clock bent the starboard  
chain out & at 10 o'clock dropped anchor in the  
harbour of Poyat in 20 fathoms & with  
forty fathoms of chain out at 8 commenced  
breaking out oil to cooper ends so

Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & pleasant  
at 3 1/2 p.m. the same for oil sent 48 baskets  
on shore & cleared up docks the middle  
part pleasant the latter part employed break-  
ing out & cooping air ends so

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of March. Arrived a Large Whale Landed 2 Sooty Lovers & 2 Sooty  
Sailboard & Main Carlsberg Shook & 11 West Truck Lovers & 11 Harlequin Shook &

of them. Landed Benj's Gifford Harlequin

Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the  
N & pleasant at 3 p.m. sent 15 barrels of  
oil a shore the middle part calm & pleasant  
the shooke came up in lighter the latter part  
employed setting up shooke & stowing the ground  
on the port side ends so

Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the  
S & employed setting up shooke & stowing  
house & filling with salt water the shooke  
glide came to anchor at sunset calm the shooke  
chose to work in & anchored the middle part pleasant  
the latter breaking out & coopersing oil ends  
so

Friday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes & pleasant  
finished coopersing the oil & stowed the ground  
tier at 4 p.m. sent the remainder of oil a shore 11  
barrels at 6 p.m. filled ground <sup>tier</sup> with salt water  
the middle part pleasant the latter part employed  
filling a raft of water & stowing of the hole  
ends so watch a shore on liberty

Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fine weather employed  
taking in a raft of water at 2 p.m. sent  
a rather raft of 5 barrels to fill at 5 p.m.  
took them on board the Benj's frankling  
in sight coming in at 8 p.m. the Benj's  
frankling anchored the middle part fine  
at 6 p.m. the starboard watch came on board  
& the larboard watch went on liberty for 24 hours  
the latter part cloudy ends so



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see account

Sunday September the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
& cloudy & squally during head & days &  
head rising & the middle part cloudy  
at 6 p.m. the barboard watch came on  
board & the starboard watch went for  
24 hours the latter part employed stowing  
away water ends &c.

Monday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with pleasant weather  
one watch on shore the middle part fresh  
breeze from the N.E. at 6 p.m. all employed  
stowing of water the latter part light breeze  
& pleasant ends &c.

Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze employed  
at different work one watch on liberty the  
middle part squally & raining at 6 p.m. pleasant  
the starboard watch came on board & the  
barboard watch went ashore for 24 hours  
employed about different jobs ends &c.

Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze & pleasant wind  
two barrels of beans employed stowing away rice & flour  
the middle part pleasant the latter part water came  
one down but the carpenter at 10 a.m. came back  
ends &c.

Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air at 3 p.m. received  
from the bark Cleone 18 casks part in shooks  
one spair spar & tierces of beef & 5 bbls of pork 12 and  
two kegs of butter one whale boat the middle part raining  
the latter part stowed the ~~barboard~~ starboard  
part anchor & chain  
ends &c.

of our before mizen Gifford Master  
on account Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light breeze at 3 p.m.  
much sail set anchor at 4 p.m. stowed the starboard mizen  
& choir the middle part laying off the passage  
the jib stay parted at 6 p.m. set trust the  
jib stay the latter part squally & raining  
ends so

Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze started  
off & on the harbour at 4 p.m. sent a boat  
on shore at 4 1/2 p.m. mizen came on board  
the deers has come <sup>capt. Gifford</sup> & will come out in the  
Benja franklin at 5 p.m. the S.E. end of the  
island of fogal bearing N.E. by compass 8 miles  
the middle part fresh breeze & squally  
the latter part strong breeze ends so

Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong breeze from  
the N.E. at 4 p.m. saw the Benja franklin  
at 6 p.m. capt. Gifford came on board reside  
on board one man Michael — at 4 p.m.  
under the lee of pica on the S.W. side  
with a light breeze the middle part fresh  
breeze from the N.E. heading S.E. working  
to windward all sail set at daylight  
the island Terceira in sight & the S.E. end  
of St George the latter part Benja franklin  
off the S.E. ends so

Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze working  
to windward at 6 1/2 p.m. the S.E. end of St George  
bearing N.E. by N distant 20 miles the Benja  
franklin off the lee quarter the middle part  
pleasant at 8 p.m. shortened sail at 7 p.m.  
sailing back of the S.E. end of St George capt. Bradley  
came on board took 12 oars that belonged  
to him at 8 1/2 p.m. capt. Gifford & capt. Bradley  
went on shore the ship running along the S.E.  
side of the island ends so



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saw account Tuesday September the 22<sup>th</sup> 1863

This day begins with light breeze at  
4<sup>th</sup> p.m. captures come on board could not  
know recruits at 1<sup>st</sup> p.m. cap Gifford took  
a boat & crew went on shore again know  
success at 3 p.m. came on board the sent  
a boat along side give her a spare spar & 2  
keys of latter at 5 p.m. steering at light  
drifting wind between St. George & Pico at 7  
p.m. steering the same way in sight  
the middle part cloudy the latter part  
saw the islands of Carriac & Flores the Benjin  
Franklin in sight astern ends do

Wednesday the 23<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breeze from E  
steering S.W. at 6 p.m. shortened sail  
between the islands of Carriac & Flores the middle  
part some rain at daylight ran round the  
the S.W. side towards the waist boat  
capt Gifford & capt Bealey from the  
Benjin Franklin went <sup>up</sup> to see if they could  
land at Fishery found it to rugged  
the latter part the boat pulled to all layers  
& landed to get recruits ends do

Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breeze  
at 4<sup>th</sup> p.m. the boat came off took  
her up the recruits to come up in the  
morning took in sail the middle part  
strong breeze at 6<sup>th</sup> p.m. reduced the latter  
part more moderate three sails in sight  
ends do

of sea Bedford senior gifford Thorster  
Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from the  
S E at 1 p m received a boat load of recruits  
the went ashore & at 4 3 p m received another  
boat load potatoes making 88 bushels of potatoes  
& 5 1/2 bushels of onions & 22 pumpkins & other vegetables  
at 5 p m Capt Gifford came on board our  
ship steering by the wind made sail heading  
S E by S the middle part light breeze made  
sail at daylight sail off the lee beam the  
latter part saw fagel & pier ends so  
Andrew Larkin off duty sick in general

Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze saw killers  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
pleasant at sunrise made sail raising the latter saw  
porpoises & sails in sight and fagel st gage  
& pier ends so  
lat by obs 38 55 N  
long by obs 25 26 W

Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from  
the S E at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight made sail at 4 o'clock  
saw 5 sails the latter saw Grampuses  
Andrew Larkin off duty sick ends so  
lat by obs N

Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh & light breezes  
from the S E fagel 8 miles bearing N E by  
compass at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight one sail in sight  
made all sail light air latter part  
saw porpoises & grampuses Andrew Larkin  
off duty sick ends so

pier bearing N E by E  
10 miles



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sea account Tuesday September the 28<sup>th</sup> 1863  
this day begins with a light air foggy & fine  
in sight employed out with a chain martingill  
to the fly jib boom & set the head rigging  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
pleasant the Sunrise made sail some purposes  
the latter part downwind back & 3 sails  
the at 11<sup>th</sup> end of foggy bearing & by 1<sup>st</sup>  
distant 40 miles Andrew Larkin off duty  
ends so

Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from  
the N<sup>W</sup> saw purposes at sunset shortened  
sail steering E by S the middle part cloudy  
at daylight ship between St George & Graciosa  
Tercero in sight the latter part set sail  
the fore top of backlogs Andrew Larkin  
off duty sick ends so

Thursday October the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze at 3<sup>rd</sup>  
pm saw a sail Tercero middle part  
bearing S distant 4 miles squally at  
sunset shortened sail the middle part  
pleasant at daylight saw a sail at sunrise  
made all sail the latter part some squalls  
uses & two sails Andrew Larkin off  
duty sick ends so lat by obs  
long by three

Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering by the wind heading S by E  
by compass Tercera in sight & one sail  
at sunset shortened sail heading S by E  
the middle part light breeze at daylight  
calm the latter the same breeze in  
sight Andrew Larkin off duty sick

Journal of Capt. J. M. Smith

of San Pedro de Macoris Sloop "Beagle" at San Pedro de Macoris  
 Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 this day begins with a calm at 3 p.m.  
 light air set all sail heading N.W.  
 at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
 calm at daylight calm at 6 a.m. light  
 air set all sail one sail in sight the  
 latter part light air the island of terre  
 distant 10 miles Andrew Larkin off duty sick  
 ends so

Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with a light air at 1 p.m.  
 calm at 2 p.m. light air at sunset light  
 breeze shortened sail the middle part calm  
 at daylight the same the latter part 4 sails in  
 sight Andrew Larkin off duty sick ends so

Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with light airs & calms  
 at sunset between St George and Graciosa  
 the middle part light at mid all squalls  
 & a fresh breeze from the N.E. at 3 p.m.  
 off the harbour of Pajal towards the  
 Starboard end Capt. Gifford went on  
 shore the ship laying off the latter  
 part the same Andrew Larkin off duty  
 sick ends so

Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with fresh breezes  
 from the N.E. laying off the harbour  
 of Pajal at 5 p.m. Capt. Gifford  
 came off received 2 thousand mion & 24 doz  
 eggs made all sail steering S by W. the  
 middle part steering S the latter  
 part one sail in sight Andrew Larkin  
 off duty sick ends so lat by obs 36.41 N  
 long by obs 41



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see account

Wednesday October the 4<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with strong breezes steering S at 2 p m saw two sails the middle part steering S the latter part steering by the heading S S E & Andrew back in off duty ends so lat by obs 33 54 N long by obs 26 11 W

Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from the Eastward steering by the wind heading S S E the middle part steering S E the latter breezes & squally & Andrew back in off duty sick with venereal ends so lat by obs 32 36 N long by obs 29 07 W

Friday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze & light airs & squally steering S E the middle part steering S E by S at 11 am saw a vessel light the latter part light airs & pleasant & Andrew back in off duty sick with venereal disease ends so lat by obs 31 31 N long by obs 22 40 W

Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the N W steering S S E saw squally the middle part squally & raining the latter part saw 4 sails & Andrew back in off duty ends so lat by obs 28 44 N long by obs 20 39 W

Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze from the S E steering S S E the middle part steering S E by S at 4 p m saw two islands of palms & palmas the latter part saw two sails steering S E by E & Andrew back in off duty sick ends lat by obs 28 41 N long by obs 18 41 W

of crew Richard Binger Giffard Master  
Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the N.E.  
steering S.S.W. at 4 p.m. saw Comers at 1 p.m.  
saw porpoises at 2 p.m. between the islands  
of Palma & Ferro saw the Tenerife at 6 p.m.  
steering S.S.E. the middle part wind at  
6 p.m. 3 sails in sight the latter part light  
air & calm Andrew Larkin off duty sick ends  
so lat by obs 26° 54' N  
long by Chron 17° 16' W

Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the  
N.E. steering S.S.W. at 5 p.m. saw the peak of  
Teneriffe bearing S.E. the middle part light  
breeze & pleasant the latter part one sail in  
sight Andrew Larkin off duty sick ends lat 28° 40' N  
long by Chron 17° 13' W

Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze employed  
scraping the iron work & painting it saw  
porpoises the middle part pleasant saw porpoises  
round the ship the latter part saw shoals  
of small fish Andrew Larkin off duty sick  
ends so lat by obs 29° 26' N  
long by Chron 17° 22' W

Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from  
the N.E. at 1 p.m. caught 3 turtle saw  
porpoises employed cleaning & painting iron  
work the middle part pleasant the latter  
saw porpoises & plankton Andrew Larkin off duty  
sick ends so lat by obs 29° 51' N

Friday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze steering  
S.W. by S saw plankton the middle part  
fresh breeze the latter part the water  
of a greenish cast. Andrew Larkin 28° 20' N  
off duty sick long by Chron 18° 28' W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
saw a want October Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering S by W employed the watch  
towing the eye of the lower rig in  
the middle part cloudy at 6 o'clock light  
breeze the latter part light air Andrew  
Darkin off duty ends so lat by obs 17° 51' N  
long by obs 18° 09' W

Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light air  
Andrew Darkin on duty he was off 22  
Twenty two days sick with various  
diseases the middle part light air  
the latter part saw some small black  
fish ends so lat by obs 16° 35' N  
long by obs 18° 07' W

Monday the 19<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air steering  
S S W at sunset saw blackfish  
the middle part light air & calm at sunrise  
saw blackfish small ones the latter part saw  
phinducks ends so lat by obs 18° 26' N  
long by obs 18° 00' W

Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light breeze from  
the N W saw grampuses & phinducks steering  
S S W the middle part pleasant at  
6 o'clock saw a sail the latter part saw  
porpoises ends so lat by obs 18° 40' N  
long by obs 18° 58' W

Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
from the westward steering S S W  
at 4 p.m. saw blackfish towards all three  
boats the starboard boat struck 2 ladies  
one the middle part light air the latter  
calm ends so lat by obs 18° 54' N  
long by obs 18° 28' W



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of crew Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a calm at 1 p m saw  
blackfish toward all three boats the waist  
boat got 2 the Starboard boat one at 3<sup>45</sup> came  
on board at 4 p m light air & as Lomis off  
duty sick with venereal disease the middle  
part calm the latter part light breeze  
hoisted out the blackfish blaker made 8 fms  
ends so lat by obs 12° 22' N  
long by obs 18° 14' W

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
steering S wind at 1 p m light air  
the middle part pleasant the latter part  
light air Due Lomis the cook off duty  
sick with venereal disease ends so lat by obs 12° 20' N  
long by obs 18° 14' W

Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air from the  
N<sup>W</sup> steering SE at 1 p m saw blackfish  
toward all three know success at 4<sup>45</sup> p m  
saw more blackfish toward the two barboard  
boats the barboard boat got one the middle  
part pleasant the latter part sounded found  
bottom 17 fathoms Due Lomis off duty sick  
venereal disease ends so lat by obs 11° 03' N  
long by obs 18° 14' W

Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from  
the N<sup>W</sup> steering S the middle part  
light air & calm the latter on sail in light  
thunder & shower of rain Due Lomis off duty  
sick ends so lat by obs 10° 42' N  
long by obs 17° 00' W



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sea account October Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> 1863  
this day begins with a calm one sail  
in sight saw porpoises the middle part  
squally the latter part calm strong current  
setting to the N. E. one sail in sight  
Duc Loma's off duty sick ends so lat by obs 10 55.1  
long by Chron 17 08.11

Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light <sup>2025</sup>calms & wind  
got 30 fathoms hard bottom at 6 p.m.  
light breeze steering S. E. by S. the middle  
part squally at 6 a.m. calm one sail in  
sight at 7 a.m. towards a boat went on  
board the Bark America master of Salem  
to get papers at 8 a.m. came on board  
the latter part light air Duc Loma's  
off duty sick ends so lat by obs 10 25.1  
long by Chron 16 44.11

Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air & calms  
heading S. E. by S the middle part  
calm the latter part the same painted  
the chains below the chainplates Duc Loma's  
off duty sick ends so lat by obs 10 56.1  
long by Chron 16 54.11

Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light air at  
5 p.m. light breeze & rain squalls one  
sail in sight the middle part first  
part at 10 p.m. 65 fathoms of water  
near the Southwest breakers the latter  
part of the middle part 14 fathoms  
steering S. E. by S the latter part  
calm Duc Loma's off duty sick ends so  
lat by obs 10 25.1  
long by Chron 16 13.11

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of New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master  
Friday the 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & calms  
at 6 pm 16 fathoms the middle part light  
air the latter part the same heading  
& by the wind Due Son's off duty sick  
ends so lat by obs 16° 05' N  
long by Chron 16 10 W

Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light air & calms  
the middle the same the latter the  
same Due Son's off duty sick  
ends so lat by obs 16° 05' N  
long by Chron 16 05 W

Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light air  
from the S.E. at 6 pm light  
air from the N.E. steering E.S.E.  
the middle part light air the latter  
part light air & calms Due Son's  
off duty sick lat by obs 15° 55' N  
long by Chron 15 55 W

Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with light air  
steering E.S.E. the middle part light  
air & calm at 1 N.M. had a thunder  
squall took in all sail but top sail  
on the ropes at 8 N.M. made sail  
steering by the wind heading from S.S.E.  
to S latter part the same Due Son's  
off duty sick ends so lat by obs 15° 33' N  
long by Chron 15 46 W

Tuesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from the E.S.E.  
at 1 P.M. wind S.E. heading E.N.E. at 4 P.M.  
steering E.S.E. wind S the middle part  
squally & raining wind from E to E.S.E. 3 P.M.  
made sail at 6 P.M. saw the <sup>the large</sup> ship  
Vergo the latter part pleasant wind S.E. Due Son's  
off duty sick ends so

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lat by obs 15° 05' N  
long by Chron 14 56 W



Remarks on Board the Bark President  
sea account Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from  
the S.E. at 1 p.m. S.S. 41 ship heading  
S.E. at 3 p.m. steering S.E. by S at 6  
p.m. squally & raining the middle part  
cloudy wind from N.W. to N. steering  
S.E. 2 S at daylight land in sight  
the latter part light breeze Due Sonis  
off duty sick ends so.

Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
at 2 p.m. came to anchor at Delos islands  
in 93 fathoms of water with 98 fathoms  
of chain out employed breaking out cables  
for water the middle part S.S. 41  
the latter part got off a raft of water  
Due Sonis off duty sick ends so

Friday the 6<sup>th</sup>

first part employed stowing water  
stowed 60 lbs & sent a boat on shore  
to fill the first part of the middle part  
had a thunder squall the latter part getting  
wood & water Due Sonis off duty sick  
ends so

Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs &  
pleasant employed cutting wood & getting  
water at 5 p.m. raining the middle part  
pleasant the latter part employed getting  
water & cutting wood ends so Due Sonis  
off duty sick

Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air at 3 p.m.  
a boat from the benjine franklin came  
along side with Capt. Bracy at 4 p.m.  
the ~~captain~~ Capt. Bracy left at 7 p.m. The benjine from  
Franklin came to anchor finished getting water  
to ~~be sent~~ 250 lbs pumped out salt water & put in fresh  
water middle & latter part pleasant Due Sonis off duty sick ends so

at New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light airs from the  
middle part pleasant the latter part  
employed cutting wood took 3 boat loads  
on board Due Son's off duty sick ends so  
Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light airs from  
the middle part employed in breaking out meet  
& coopers it & stowing wood gave a  
shore cutting wood at sunset came on  
board the middle part pleasant  
the latter part employed cutting &  
blowing logs took on board 4 boats  
loads of wood Due Son's off duty  
sick ends so  
Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air calm  
employed stowing wood & cutting wood at 6  
came on board the middle part squally  
& raining at 6 at all pleasant the latter  
part got two boat loads of wood employe  
cutting Due Son's off duty sick ends so  
Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air & calm  
got one boat load of wood off employed  
cutting wood & stowing away wood at 6  
came on board the natives stole  
a steering oar & two oars the middle  
part pleasant the latter part got 3 boats  
loads of wood off making 12 in all  
& finished stowing off Due Son's  
off duty sick ends so  
Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air & calm  
got one boat load of wood off employed  
cutting wood & stowing away wood at 6  
came on board the natives stole  
a steering oar & two oars the middle  
part pleasant the latter part got 3 boats  
loads of wood off making 12 in all  
& finished stowing off Due Son's  
off duty sick ends so

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Sea account Friday December the 13<sup>th</sup> 1863  
this day begins with light breezes from  
the S employed washing ship the  
middle part pleasant the latter part  
employed scraping the ship out side  
as high as plank sheer finished & began  
to paint Duc Lami's off duty sick  
ends so

Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
employed painting ship out side  
as high as plank sheer carpenter  
rigging the new boat at 8 p m finish  
painting & the carpenter finished the  
work on the boat the middle  
part pleasant the latter part put the  
new boat on the waist boat scains  
& painted her & the starboard boat  
Duc Lami's off duty sick ends so

Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs &  
pleasant took the sailing out of starboard  
boat & got a cask of water & put  
on a new slide board the middle  
& latter part pleasant Duc Lami's  
off duty sick ends so

Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air &  
fine weather the middle part pleasant  
at 10 & 11 have shot at 8 & 10 & 11 Stowed  
the starboard anchor & chain at 10 & 11  
got two casks of water at 11 1/2 & 12  
made all sail & took the anchor  
steering by the wind Duc Lami's off  
duty ends so

at New Bedford Benja Gifford Master  
Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light airs from the  
westward at 3 p.m. took in the old waist boat  
washed her out put her over board & old one  
old boat in the way of track at 6 p.m.  
heading S S W to S by W the Benja  
frankling one mile off the middle part light  
airs & calms the latter part the same & calm  
off duty sick ends 30

Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze from the S W  
the Benja frankling one mile distant at 4 p.m.  
stowed the starboard anchor & chain at 4 p.m.  
steering S W by W the middle part steering  
by the wind with light air at 6 p.m.  
saw Sierra Leone cape the latter part  
light airs & calm Due Sam's off duty  
sick ends 30 last by abcs 30 W  
long by chrs 18 54 W

Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light airs from the  
S W Benja frankling in sight at 4 p.m.  
heading S W by W at 8 p.m. went  
in 3 tops heading from S S W to S  
the middle part heading S W from  
1 p.m. till 6 p.m. the Benja frankling  
in sight the latter part employed taking  
up & dathen light airs from the S W  
Due Sam's off duty sick ends 30 last by abcs 30 W  
Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> long by chrs 19 08 W

this day begins with light airs heading  
off S W painted the starboard boat  
put down the sheathing in the waist  
at 4 p.m. heading W by S the middle  
part wore ship heading S wind S W  
the latter part a thunder squall rainy and  
strong breeze from the S Due Sam's off duty sick  
ends 30



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Sea account

Saturday November the 21<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with a light breeze from the N E at 2 p.m. light air at 4 p.m. light air & calms took up the sheathing on the port side as far as the waist the first part of the middle part calm the latter part of the middle part light breeze the latter part steering S S W saw phinbacks & Grampuses Due Son's off duty sick ends so

Lat by obs 40° 10' N  
Long by obs 15° 41' W

Sunday the 22<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze from the N W steering S S W saw porpoises at 5 p.m. thunder signals the middle part rising with light air the latter part saw 3 sails Due Son's off duty sick ends so

Lat by obs 40° 52' N  
Long by obs 14° 34' W

Monday the 23<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air from the N W at 2 p.m. light breeze at 5 p.m. calm & rainy the middle part light air & cloudy at 6 p.m. saw two sails the latter part saw porpoises & grampuses Due Son's off duty sick ends so

Lat by obs 40° 38' N  
Long by obs 14° 18' W

Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air from the S heading N N W by compass put shawse sheathing in the waist at 4 p.m. one sail in sight at 5 p.m. wind S S W were ship heading S E the middle part pleasant the latter part one sail in sight heading from S S E to S E Due Son's off duty sick ends so

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of my good friend Benjamin Gifford character

on account

Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air at 4 p.m. light breeze from the S.E. steering S.S.W. the middle part calm the latter part light air from the southward & westward heading S.E. by S. Due Louis off duty sick ends so lat by obs 06 25.1 long by obs 13 50 W

Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & rain squalls at 6 p.m. light breeze from the S.S.W. steering by the wind heading S.E. the middle part light air & calm at 6 p.m. one sail in sight the latter part calm saw blackfish join quickly Due Louis off duty sick ends so lat by obs 06 22.1 long by obs 13 17 W

Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air from the north at 3 p.m. squalls of rain at 4 p.m. light air from the S.W. steering by the wind heading S.S.E. the middle part light breeze from the westward squally & raining at 6 p.m. wind S.W. heading S.S.E. with a fresh breeze the latter part light air squally & raining Due Louis off duty sick ends so lat 06 22.0 P long by obs 13 30 W

Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air from the S.W. at 4 p.m. saw a vessel & a small white matter at 6 p.m. heading S.E. the middle part light air & calm at 8 p.m. saw a sail to windward the latter part fresh breeze steering by the wind heading from S.E. to S.E. by E. Due Louis off duty sick ends so lat by obs 04 33.1 long by obs 11 21 W



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See account

Sunday December the 28th 1863

this day begins with a fresh breeze from the SSW steering by the wind heading SE at 1/2 p m the vessel <sup>plugs</sup> at 6 p m light breeze the middle part fresh breeze & squally the latter part took in fore top of sail Due Sam's off duty sick ends so lat by obs 14 03 N long by thro 15 27 W

Monday the 30th

this day begins with light breezes from the S heading ESE at 1 p m went in stays heading SSW squally & raining at 3 p m heading S by W at 5 p m calm the middle part pleasant at 6 p m saw a sail the latter part saw phinbacks & porpoises Due Sam's off duty sick ends so lat by obs 13 40 N long by thro 16 11 W

Tuesday December the 1st

this day begins with a light breeze from the S heading WSW saw porpoises at 6 p m the ship heading SE the middle part pleasant the latter part saw phinbacks Due Sam's off duty sick ends lat by obs 10 N lat of the potatoes by thro 08 28 W Wednesday the 2nd

this day begins with a light breeze steering by the wind heading SE at 6 p m heading SE by S the middle part calt two porpoises at 7 p m saw blackfish the latter part saw phinbacks Due Sam's off duty sick ends, and lat of the onion lat by obs 12 48 N long by thro 16 44 W

of our ship from Benja Gifford Master  
Thursday the 3<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading S by E  
at 6 p m heading S E the middle  
part light air & calms & squally at 6 p m  
saw phinbacks the latter part fair  
Ship heading W S W to W by S  
Due Jones off duty sick ends  
so lat by obs 32 34 N  
long by obs 154 42 W

Friday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
from the S steering by the wind head-  
ing W S W at 6 p m squally the mid-  
dle part fair the latter part painted the  
starboard boat & the waist boats over  
& the starboard boat in side saw porpoises  
Due Jones off duty sick ends lat by obs 32 42 N  
long by obs 154 09 W

Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh light  
breeze steering by the wind heading  
W S W saw conch at 6 p m  
two ship heading heading S by E  
to E S E the middle part heading E S E  
the latter part saw phinbacks Due Jones  
off duty sick ends lat by obs 32 26 N  
long by obs 154 21 W

Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading E S E at  
9 p m heading S E by E the middle  
part the same the latter part saw  
phinback Due Jones off duty sick ends  
so lat by obs 32 17 N  
long by obs 154 52 W



Remarks on board the bark ~~Passant~~  
sea account  
Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of December 1863

this day begins with light breezes  
intering by the wind heading SE to  
SE by E at 5 p.m. saw a sail  
the middle part heading SE by S  
at 6 p.m. saw a sail the latter  
part heading SE ends Duc Lomis  
off duty Sick lat by obs  $00^{\circ} 42' N$   
long by chro  $03^{\circ} 11' W$

Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes  
from the SSW steering by the wind  
heading SE at 2 p.m. saw a bark steer-  
ing to the westward the middle part  
cloudy the latter repaired the old boat  
Duc Lomis off duty sick ends So  
lat by obs  $00^{\circ} 08' N$

Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> long by chro  $03^{\circ} 20' W$   
this day begins with light breezes  
heading SE by the wind the middle  
part heading SE by E the latter  
part heading SSE Duc Lomis off  
duty Sick ends so lat by obs  $00^{\circ} 06' S$   
long by chro  $00^{\circ} 21' SE$

Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light breeze  
heading ESE by the wind on the  
starboard bow at 5 p.m. heading  
SE by S the middle part heading  
SE the latter part painted the  
over head boat Duc Lomis off duty  
Sick ends so lat by obs  $00^{\circ} 40' S$   
long by chro  $01^{\circ} 46' E$

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Friday December the 11<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze at 1  
p m steering S E saw phinbacks at 4 30  
p m saw porpoises at 4 p m cloudy the  
middle part pleasant the latter part steering  
by the wind heading S E by E saw phinbacks  
& shoals of fish Due Larrie off duty sick  
ends so Lat 43° 05' 08" S  
Long by Chron 02 20 E

Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze  
heading E S E at 3 p m steering S E  
by E saw phinbacks at 6 p m cloudy  
the middle part light air steering S E by  
E the latter saw phinbacks & grassy  
uses Due Larrie off duty sick ends so  
Lat 43° 05' 08" S

Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> Long by Chron 04 30 E  
this begins with light winds steering  
S E at 8 p m saw the island of Anna  
bona at 6 p m took in the fore top of  
sail steering by the wind heading S E  
at 11 the middle part heading S E at 4  
at 11 the ship the latter part saw phin  
backs Due Larrie off duty sick ends so  
Lat 43° 02' 08" S

Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> Long by Chron 05 54 E  
this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading W saw  
phinbacks the middle part light breeze  
the latter part saw porpoises Due Larrie  
off duty sick ends so Lat 43° 02' 36" S  
Long by Chron 04 18 E



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Tuesday December the 15<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading  $41^{\circ}$   $2^{\circ}$  S  
at 2 p m saw grampuses at 6 p m  
heading  $41^{\circ}$  by  $5^{\circ}$  S the middle part  
heading  $41^{\circ}$   $5^{\circ}$  S the latter part  
fresh breeze took in the main top of  
Sail Due Lami's off duty sick  
ends so lat by obs  $03^{\circ}$   $10^{\circ}$  S  
long by Chro  $02^{\circ}$   $40^{\circ}$  E

Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
from the S at 1 p m two ships  
heading from S by E to S S E  
the middle part heading S by E at  
6 p m two ships heading  $41^{\circ}$   $5^{\circ}$  S  
the latter part saw blackfish  
Due Lami's off duty sick ends so  
lat by obs  $03^{\circ}$   $13^{\circ}$  S  
long by Chro  $03^{\circ}$   $05^{\circ}$  E

Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
set the main top of sail at 6 p m  
two ships heading S by E the middle  
part pleasant the latter part saw a  
jumper Due Lami's off duty sick  
ends so lat by obs  $03^{\circ}$   $20^{\circ}$  S  
long by Chro  $03^{\circ}$   $32^{\circ}$  E

Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
at 3 p m saw blackfish at 6 p m  
fresh breeze the middle part pleasant  
the latter part saw porpoises Due  
Lami's off duty sick ends so  
lat by obs  $03^{\circ}$   $18^{\circ}$  S  
long by Chro  $03^{\circ}$   $32^{\circ}$  E

of near Bedford Bay in Gifford's Master  
Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>

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this day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering by the wind heading SE by E  
at 6 p.m. light breeze the middle part  
fresh breeze the latter part saw phinback  
Duc Lomis off duty sick ends so  
lat by chron 03° 25' S  
long by chron 07° 15' E

Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering by the wind heading from SE by E  
to ESE at 6 p.m. Squall took in light  
sails the middle part light air made  
sail the latter part light air & calms  
Duc Lomis off duty sick ends so  
lat by chron 03° 36' S  
long by chron 07° 30' E

Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light air & calms  
saw phinback & porpoises at 6 p.m.  
heading ESE by the wind the middle  
part light air the latter part light air  
& calms Duc Lomis off duty ends so  
lat by obs 3° 55' S  
long by obs 07° 45' E

Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with light air & calm  
Duc Lomis on duty at 6 p.m. calm  
the middle part light air the latter  
part calm ends so lat by obs 04° 02' S  
long by obs 07° 00' E

Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
sent down the old fore top of sail &  
repaired the main at 6 p.m. heading SE  
by the wind the middle part the same at daylight  
saw blackfish low all three boats the fore  
boat struck on & drove at let all went on  
board the latter part light air ends so

lat 03° 25' S  
long 07° 14' E



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see account.

Thurs. day

Dec the 24<sup>th</sup> 1863

this day begins with light airs saw blackfish  
at 1 p m toward the three boats the Starboard  
struck & killed one & the crew dragged last  
him at 2 1/2 p m came on board took up the  
boats at 5 p m light breeze at sunset  
shortened sail for cruising the middle  
part raising at day light made sail  
the latter part light breeze heading  
N. by E. S. lat by obs 40 35  
long by chron 132 00

Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
tore ship at 1/4 1 saw sperm whales  
at 1 p m toward the two larboard  
boats at 1/4 the larboard boat struck  
the Starboard toward the two boats  
in chase at 2 p m the 4<sup>th</sup> whale  
along side & flaked at 3 squally  
& raining at 4 p m the Starboard  
boat came on board at 5 p m in the  
middle thick & raining at 6 p m stop raising  
set the lights aloft at 7 p m  
the waist boat came on board the  
middle part lashing by the whale light  
air at daylight got ready for cutting at 8  
at 10 commenced cutting saw whales of the  
lar quarter at 11 1/2 whales out of sight  
at 11 1/4 got them cutting & made all sail  
the whale going E of E steering E 1/2 E  
at 10 at 11 saw blackfish the latter  
part cleared away the head & cut  
up the blubber ends so

lat by obs 43 43 S  
long by chron 130 05 39 E

Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

also killed some these  
officers

captain Bufford saw  
these whales

of New Bedford Senior Gifford Master  
Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes strong  
E at 2 p m Starboard the works steering  
by the wind heading E S E at 6 p m the  
Ship heading W the middle part cloudy  
the latter part finished boiling ends 30  
lat by obs 35 42 N  
long by chron 34 E

Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
& pleasant the middle part the same  
at 8 A m saw a sail to windward  
the latter part the Ship ends 31  
lat by obs 09 30 N  
long by chron 10 02 E

Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes strong  
by the wind at 9 1/2 p m spoke the Bong  
franklin at sunset shortened sail &  
wore Ship the middle part cloudy at  
daylight made sail the latter part the  
web down the oil one sail in sight  
ends 30 1/2 lat by obs 09 12 N  
long by chron 08 56 E

Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
& rain at sunset shortened sail one  
sail in sight the middle part wore Ship  
at daylight made sail one sail in sight  
the latter part steering different courses  
lat by obs 03 45 N

Wednesday the 30<sup>th</sup>

long by chron 18 25 E  
this day begins with light air saw shoals  
of fish and phinbacks at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part pleasant at  
daylight made sail the latter part  
saw shoals of small fish ends 30  
lat by obs 03 26 N  
long by chron 18 E



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Sea account

Thursday December the 31<sup>st</sup> 1863

this day begins with light breeze  
at 3 p m saw a sail & several shoals  
of fish the middle part pleasant the  
latter part fair Ship ends S.O

lat by obs 33 34 S  
long by chron 118 116

Friday January the 1<sup>st</sup> 1864

this day begins with light breeze  
at 2 p m saw a sail to windward  
at 6 p m cloudy the middle part  
pleasant the latter part light air  
ends S.O lat by obs 34 03. Long by chron 118 116

Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> long by chron 118 116

this day begins with light breeze  
saw a number of shoals of fish the  
middle part fair the latter part  
much the same ends S.O lat by obs 34 03. Long by chron 118 116

Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
at 6 p m saw a sail at 3 p m  
jib roping parted repaired it at  
5 p m rain Squall at Sunset Short-  
ened sail the middle part fair at day  
light made all sail at 8 A.M. the  
Ship heading to westward the latter  
part squally & raining ends S.O

Monday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air  
& raining light sails in at one p  
m fair made sail at Sunset  
shortened sail the middle part were  
Ship heading to the Southward at  
daylight made all sail lat by obs 35 33  
the latter part light breeze ends at lat by obs 35 36 E

of sea Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Sharster

Tuesday January the 5<sup>th</sup> 1864

this day begins with light breezes  
at 1 p m the ship heading S E by the  
wind at sunset shortened sail the  
middle part fair at daylight made  
sail the latter part pleasant ends  
So lat by obs 08° 06' S  
long by chro 10° 03' E

Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
at 1 p m the ship at 6 p m heading  
S S E all sail set the middle part  
fair the latter part light air with  
light showers of rain ends So lat by obs 08° 42' S  
long by chro 10° 44' E

Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs heading  
W by the wind at 6 p m the ship heading  
S E by S the middle part wore ship  
the latter part light breeze ends So  
lat by obs 08° 41' S

Friday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
at 12 p m saw a break at sunset  
light air wore ship the middle part  
light airs & calms the latter part wore ship  
ends So lat by obs 08° 58' S  
long by chro 11° 08' E

Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading W at  
sunset shortened sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight made sail  
the latter part heading W ends So  
lat by obs 06° 06' S  
long by chro 08° 18' E



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Seacoast

Sunday January the 10 1864

this day begins with slight breeze  
at 1 p m the ship at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part  
of E at daylight steering of the  
latter part squally & rainy steering  
by the wind heading of E whither short  
sail ends so lat by obs 3

Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with 5 knots  
breeze & rainy at 2 p m held up  
raining at 5 p m saw a sail at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part  
fair at daylight made sail one sail  
in sight the latter part light airs  
& calm ends so lat by obs 4 24 S  
long by obs 5 44 E

Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air at  
1 p m calm at 4 p m light air  
at 8 p m spoke the <sup>Benjamin Franklin</sup>  
at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part fair at daylight made sail the latter  
part squally & rainy ends so lat by obs 4 07 S  
long by obs 5 33 E

Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs & rain  
at 4 p m fair the middle part show-  
ry the latter part light airs & calm  
with frequent showers of rain Duc Linois  
of duty sick with venereal disease ends  
so lat by obs 4 20 S  
long by obs 5 30 E

of the Beaufort Bay in Gifford Harbor  
Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs one sail  
in sight at 4 p m light shower of rain at  
sunset shortened sail the middle part. Squally  
& raining at daylight aback made all sail  
the latter part squally at 11 at ill  
fair ends so Due Laris off duty  
sick ends so lat by ab 4° 25' S  
long by chro 8° 33' E

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs at 2 p m  
calm one sail in sight at 7 p m light  
air the middle part light airs the latter  
part saw shoals of small fish ends  
so Due Laris off duty sick  
lat by ab 4° 22' S  
long by chro 8° 24' E

Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with airs at 1 p m  
raining at 3 p m fair with a light  
breeze at sunset shortened sail the  
middle part pleasant the latter  
part steering different courses  
with light showers of rain Due Laris  
of duty sick ends so lat by ab 3° 55' S  
long by chro 8° 30' E

Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
at 1 p m tack ship heading to the Sou  
thard & westward at sunset tar ship  
& shortened sail the middle part  
pleasant the first part the latter  
a light shower of rain at daylight  
made all sail at 8 at m soon  
the Benja frambiling at 8 at m  
tar ship the latter part fair  
Due Laris of duty sick ends so  
lat by ab 4° 16' S long by chro 8° 36' E



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Monday December the 18<sup>th</sup> 1864

this day begins with a light breeze  
one sail in at 3 p.m. saw a floating  
island the Benja. fanchling in  
sight at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part pleasant at daylight  
made sail one sail in sight the  
latter part fair Due Lomis of duty  
sick ends so lat by obs 9° 30 S  
long by obs 8° 40 E

Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
the first part steering different  
courses at sunset shortened sail  
one sail in sight the middle part  
fair at daylight saw blackish marks  
sail one sail in sight the latter part  
employed setting in a cloth in the  
fore top of sail & put in clew irons  
ends so Due Lomis of duty sick  
lat by obs 9° 13 S  
long by obs 8° 34 E

Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
the first part one sail in sight  
at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part fair at daylight made sail  
the latter part bent the fore top of sail  
Due Lomis off duty sick ends so  
Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> lat by obs 4° 11 S  
long by obs 8° 54 E

this day begins with light breeze  
steering different courses the first  
part one sail in sight at sunset short-  
sail the middle part fair at daylight  
long by obs made sail the latter part saw ironish  
observed Due Lomis of duty ends so lat by obs 3° 48 S

of New Bedford Benja Giffard Master  
Friday the 22<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze the first  
part one sail in sight saw several shoals  
of fish at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight made sail at 8 o'clock  
saw phinbacks the latter part the ship  
heaving S S E Due Sonis off duty sick  
ends so lat by obs 3° 41' S  
long by thro 9° 54' E

Saturday the 23<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
the first part saw phinbacks one sail  
in sight at 6 p m heaving S by W the  
middle part fair the latter part calm  
ends so Due Sonis off duty sick  
lat by obs 4° 00' S  
long by thro 10° 18' E

Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a calm at 2 p m  
light breeze heaving S by W at 3 1/2  
p m the ship heaving S W by S saw  
porpoises at 6 p m heaving S S by W  
the middle part fair at 7 o'clock the ship  
the latter part heaving S W by S ends so  
Due Sonis off duty sick lat by obs 4° 24' S  
long by thro 10° 18' E

Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
the first part at 6 p m heaving W  
by N the middle part  
shortened sail at daylight made sail  
at 10 o'clock suddenly the latter part  
a tempest took in sail ends so  
Due Sonis off duty sick with venereal  
disease lat by obs S  
long by thro E



Remarks on Board the Bark President

Seamant

Tuesday January the 26<sup>th</sup> 1864

this day begins with a tempest at 3 1/2  
p m made sail stopped wining at 6  
p m saw blackfish shortened sail  
the middle part cloudy at daylight light  
shower of rain made sail light air  
at 10 o m saw blackfish towards all  
three boats the larboard boat got one  
at 12 o m all came on board & took  
up the boats ends so Duc Lomis affluety  
sick lat by obs 4 o b S  
long by chro 9 30 E

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & calm  
blackfish in sight took in & cleared away  
the one along side at 1 1/2 p m  
towards all three boats the waist  
boat got one at 4 p m light breeze  
boats came on board cleared away  
the other blackfish at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part fair at  
daylight made sail the latter part squally  
& rainy ends so Duc Lomis affluety  
sick lat by obs S  
long by chro E

Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air &  
raining at 2 p m fair started the work  
at sunset finished tying out the blackfish  
& shortened sail the middle part  
fair at daylight made sail one sail  
in sight at 12 o m towards the larboard  
boat & went on board the other  
officer of salom & got some papers  
at 5 o m took the larboard boat up  
at 8 o m saw a sail towards  
ends so Duc Lomis affluety sick

4 Jan Redford Benjie Gifford Worcester  
Friday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
two sails in sight at 3 1/2 p m squally  
& raining with thunder & lightning the middle  
part the same at 6 1/2 at 11 make sail  
fair the latter part saw the Benjie  
frankling the bark Duc Lomis off duty  
sick ends so lat by obs 4 32 S  
long by obs 8 38 E

Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air  
at 2 p m spoke the Bark Benjie fran-  
kling 110 bbl of sperm on board at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light  
air pleasant at daylight make sail  
the latter part light breeze ends so  
Duc Lomis off duty sick lat by obs 4 30 S  
long by obs 8 35 E

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
steering different courses the Bark  
Benjie frankling in sight at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part  
fair at daylight make sail the Bark  
Benjie frankling in sight at 11 at 11  
the frankling pick up a dead whale ends  
so Duc Lomis off duty sick with the  
venereal disease lat by obs 4 36 S  
long by obs 10 03 E

February Monday the 1<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
steering at 4 p m steering by the  
wind heading S by E at sunset short-  
ened sail heading E S & the middle part  
were ship at daylight make sail at 6 1/2  
at 11 saw a carcass the latter part were  
ship ends so Duc Lomis lat by obs 4 35 S  
off duty sick long by obs 10 00 E



Remarks on Board the Bark President

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Tuesday February the 2<sup>th</sup> 1864

this day begins with light breezes  
the Bark Benja Franklin in sight  
at 8 p m light air at sunset wore  
ship & shorten sail at 8 p m wore  
ship the middle part heaving W S W  
at daylight made sail employed at  
breaking out Shook's the latter part  
setting up Shook's saw a phinback  
& put lean ends so Duc Lomis  
off duty Sick lat by obs 4° 48' S  
long by thro 8° 52' E

Wednesday the 3<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering different courses saw a bad  
employed setting up Shook's at 8 p m  
finished the Shook's at sunset shorten  
sail the middle part fair at daylight  
made all sail the Bark Benja Franklin  
in sight the latter part cooper employed  
begin cask & fitting the heads saw  
porpoises Duc Lomis off duty Sick  
ends so lat by obs 4° 48' S  
long by thro 8° 56' E

Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering different courses at 4 1/2 p  
m saw phinbacks at sunset shorten  
sail the middle part fair at daylight  
made sail the Benja Franklin  
in sight at 8 p m raining at 10 p m  
fair the latter the same Duc Lomis  
off duty Sick ends so lat by obs 4° 18' S  
long by thro 8° 56' E

Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>  
is New Bedford Dory's Gifford Master  
this day begins with light breezes from  
the S at 3 p m fresh breeze from the  
N at sunset shortened sail light air  
the middle part wore ship at daylight  
made sail heading S E by S The latter  
part saw phinback two ship ends so  
Duc Lomis off duty lat by obs 4° 25' N  
long by obs 10° 26' W

Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
the Bark Dory's frankling in sight  
at sunset light air shortened sail  
the middle part wore ship at daylight made  
sail the Dory's frankling in sight at 10 a  
m 16 equally took small sail but topsails  
on the cap blowing fresh the latter part  
raining at 12 o'clock stopped raining made sail  
light air ends so Duc Lomis off duty  
Sick lat by obs 5°  
long by obs 10°

Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light air at 4  
p m light breeze one sail in sight  
at sunset shortened sail heading  
to the westward sail the middle part  
raining at daylight made sail fresh breeze  
the latter part steering different  
courses one sail in sight ends so  
Duc Lomis off duty

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
at 2 p m a tempest past to windward  
at 5 p m light air at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part strong breeze  
at daylight made sail Duc Lomis on  
duty off 26 days sick with the Venereal dis  
ease the latter part equally & raining ends

lat by obs 4° 20' N  
long by obs 9° 35' W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> 1864  
this day begins with light breeze  
steering different courses the bark being  
franklin in sight the middle part  
heading ~~off~~ under short sail at day  
light light shower of rain at 5 o'clock  
fair the latter part steering of  
the ship back's ends so

Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
employed scraping the upper works  
at sunset shortened sail steering  
by the wind heading off the middle  
part fair at daylight made sail steering  
of ~~off~~ employed scraping & painting  
ends so lat by obs 3° or 5  
loss by ~~obs~~ 8 or 5 E

Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
at 1 p.m. it saw a sail at 4 p.m.  
finished scraping & painting  
at sunset steering by the wind  
heading to the westward the middle  
part steering of ~~off~~ by ~~off~~ at daylight  
suddenly at 7 o'clock wind at ~~off~~ 8  
raining the latter part made sail  
ends so

Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering of ~~off~~ by ~~off~~ at 6 p.m. steering  
by the wind being franklin in sight  
the middle part steering by the wind at  
5 o'clock the island of Annabona in sight  
the latter part light air ends so

of New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master  
Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light airs at 2 p m  
Annabona is beach bearing W by S distant  
10 miles light airs & calms at 4 p m  
4 miles distant from anchorage at 4 1/2  
p m came to anchor & furled the sails at 5 1/2  
at 11<sup>o'clock</sup> the anchor & anchored again in 8 fatho  
ms of water the latter part broke out  
& got craft of water ribs so

Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze &  
pleasant sent in craft of casks to fill  
& break out small stores the middle  
part fair the latter part all hands formed  
on liberty ends so

Monday the 15<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes  
& pleasant at sunset all on me on  
board the middle part fresh breezes &  
raining at daylight quiet raged the latter  
part more pleasant employed breaking  
out Stowing down water ends so

Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
& considerable cold small employed  
trading cox at sunset fair the middle  
part pleasant at 4 o'clock the  
water at & sent more casks on shore  
to fill at 8 o'clock raining hard took  
water on board the latter part  
raining ends so



Remarks on board the bark President

date

Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>

1864

This day begins a rain squall at 1 1/2 p m fair employed scraping the bottom of the vessel at 2 1/2 p m finished employed sawing water received the boat load of wood at sunset quit work the middle part pleasant the latter part finished stowing off the hole received 1 1/2 boat load of wood ends S.O

Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a light breeze at 4 p m took the anchor at 1 1/2 p m stowed the anchor & chain all sail set the Benja frankling in company steering by the wind heading W by N William Davis asked for his discharge & received the same of capt Gifford the middle part fair heading W by N by the wind the latter part employed putting in new longards in the Main rig the bark Benja frankling in sight ends S.O

Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>

Lat by obs 16° 16' S  
Long by obs 9° 06' E

This day begins with light breeze steering by the wind heading W of W at 2 p m employed putting in the old longards of the main rig in fore the middle part fair the latter part employed about the rig ends S.O Lat by obs 20 45 S

Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup>

Long by obs 2° 33' E

This day begins with light breeze steering by the wind heading N W by W employed about the rig Benja frankling in sight the middle part fair the latter part heading N W by the wind employed putting up rigging Lat by obs 00 11 S

Long by obs 183 E

of New Zealand being a fair weather  
Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze steering  
by the wind heading  $1^{\circ} 44'$  the Bark being  
frankling in light water employed about  
the rigging at 6 p m heading  $1^{\circ} 44'$   
the middle part fair the latter part  
heading  $1^{\circ} 44'$  ends so lat  $40^{\circ} 31' N$   
long  $130^{\circ} 15' E$

Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
Snow phinbacks at 6 p m star Ship  
heading  $1^{\circ} 44'$  the middle part fair  
the latter part usually saw porpoises  
ends so lat  $40^{\circ} 15' N$   
long  $130^{\circ} 15' E$

Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze about  
usually at 1 p m star Ship heading  
 $1^{\circ} 44'$  at 6 p m heading  $1^{\circ} 44'$   
the middle part heading  $1^{\circ} 44'$  the  
latter part employed about the rigging  
ends so lat  $40^{\circ} 11' N$   
long  $130^{\circ} 23' E$

Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins fresh breeze steering  
 $44^{\circ} 44'$  employed about the rigging  
at 6 p m strong breeze steering  $44^{\circ}$   
by the middle pleasant the latter part  
employed about different jobs ends so  
lat  $40^{\circ} 12' N$   
long  $130^{\circ} 41' W$

Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze  
steering  $44^{\circ} 44'$  employed about different  
jobs the middle part fair the latter  
part bent a new job ends so  
lat  $40^{\circ} 05' N$   
long  $130^{\circ} 47' W$



Remarks on Board the Bark President  
sea account Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> 1858

this day begins with fresh breezes  
bent a fore top about staysail ripshap  
the jib the middle part fair at day  
light sent down the main top sail to  
repair & bent another the latter employed  
repairing the main top sail same repairs  
ends so lat by obs 00 08 N  
Long by Chron 83 35 W

Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh S. E. breeze  
steering W by N watch employed repair-  
ing the main top sail & took a spare  
foresail to repair sails with the mid-  
dle part pleasant at 8 1/2 A.M. sent down  
the spare top sail & bent the old main  
top sail & sent down the fore top sail  
to repair & bent a spare one the  
latter part repairing the fore top sail  
ends so lat by obs 00 31 N

Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>

Long by Chron 11 28 W  
this day begins with light airs steering  
by the wind heading N by W watch  
employed repairing the fore top sail  
at 2 p.m. sent down the spare top  
sail sent the old fore top sail aloft  
& bent it having but new leach rope  
on it & the main at 6 p.m. light breeze  
from the N steering by the wind heading  
N by N the middle part fair the latter  
part light air ends so lat by obs 00 00 N  
Long by Chron 12 35 W

Monday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds squally  
heading from N by N to N by W at 8 p.m.  
raising the middle part light air the  
latter part heading N by the wind  
ends so lat by obs 01 08 N Long by Chron 14 35 W

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Tuesday

March the 1<sup>st</sup>

Date 1864

this day begins with light breezes  
blowing by the wind heading W  
the middle part steering S of W  
the latter part steering S of W ends so  
lat 40 15 00

Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Long by Chron 16 54 W

this day begins with light breezes &  
squally. Saw porpoises & sulphur bottom  
the middle part fresh breeze & fair the latter  
part steering S of W ends so lat 40 15 00

Long by Chron 15 11 W

Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light breezes &  
cloudy at 3 1/2 p m raining at 5 p m wind  
S of W light air steering by the wind heading  
S of W the middle part light airs the first  
part at 12 p m light breeze from the S  
steering S of W the latter part light airs  
& calms ends so lat 40 15 00

Long by Chron 20 18 W

Friday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from  
the N of W at 3 p m Wind W steering  
S of W the middle part light airs  
at 5 A M squally and raining at 7 saw two  
sails at 8 1/2 saw sperm whales at 8 1/2 saw  
all three boats the Starbuck boat struck  
& the other two then struck the Starbuck  
boat hark the line bit of by another  
whale & the Starbuck boat lost her by the  
iron breaking the waist boat got one  
at 12 1/2 at 1 1/2 along side & flaked ends  
so

Long by Chron 20 30 W

Lat by obs 42 32 N



# Remarks on board the Bark President

Sea account

Saturday March the 5<sup>th</sup>

date  
1864

this day begins with a light breeze  
got ready & cut in the whale at 3 p.m.  
started the work steering by the wind  
all sail set heading N by W the middle  
part finished haling made 84 lbs of oil at  
daylight rainy heading N by W by N  
the latter part fair ends 50 lbs 3 1864  
long by thro 21 56 W

Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
from the N steering by the wind heading  
W by N at 6 p.m. light air heading N by W  
the middle part fair the latter part  
light breeze from the N (E ends)  
so lat by obs 03° 48' N  
long by thro 21 56 W

Monday the 7<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading N by W by N  
at 5 p.m. saw blackfish the middle  
part fair at 7 o'clock saw a sail the  
latter part bent a new sprinker emplogie  
middle sticking the spare foresail ends  
so lat by obs 04° 43' N  
long by thro 23 04 W

Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading from N by W to  
N by W by N at 5 p.m. bent the spare  
foresail the middle part fair at  
daylight one sail in sight at 8 o'clock  
saw vessel steering to the Southward &  
eastward the latter part rowed New  
Hampshire braces ends so

lat by obs 05° 50' N  
long by thro 24 45 W

of Sir. Richard Benge Gifford Master  
Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
steering by the wind heading S<sup>W</sup> by N  
the middle part heading from S<sup>W</sup> by N  
to S by W the latter part heading S<sup>W</sup> by N  
saw white water rise for it saw it from  
more ends so lat by obs 9 14 of  
long by obs 26 36 W

Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
heading S<sup>W</sup> by N the wind rose new fore  
breezes & fore top of sails at 4 p m  
heading S by W the middle part head-  
ing S to S by W the latter part saw  
a sail ends so lat by obs 9 14 of  
long by obs 28 18 W

Friday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
heading from S<sup>W</sup> by N to S by W  
at 3 p m saw a sail at 6 p m heading  
S by W the middle part moderate  
the latter part, fresh breeze heading  
S to S by W ends so lat by obs 11 11 of  
long by obs 28 38 W

Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
steering by the wind heading S<sup>W</sup> by N  
at 6 p m heading S<sup>W</sup> by N the middle  
part fair heading at the latter part  
heading about the same ends so lat by obs 13 14 of  
long by obs 31 43 W

Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
heading S<sup>W</sup> by N at 8 p m took in  
the fore top of sail at 9 p m the Starboard  
key jibboom guy parted & broke the iron on  
the end of the jibboom fitted it temporary  
& set the key jib the middle part fair the latter part fair in evening

lat by obs 15 0 40  
long by obs 31 29 W



Remarks on board the Shark President  
date 1864  
sea account  
Monday March the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes all sail  
set steering by the wind heading from N  
N<sup>W</sup> to N<sup>W</sup> at 1 p.m. heading N<sup>W</sup>  
the middle part heading from N<sup>W</sup> to  
at the latter part saw a black end  
So lat by obs 16° 38' N  
long by obs 93 11 W

Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes heading  
N<sup>W</sup> by the wind the middle part heading  
at the latter part the same ends  
So lat by obs 18° 14' N  
long by obs 94 48 W

Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
steering by the wind heading at  
at 8 p.m. heading N<sup>W</sup> E the  
middle part fair the latter part  
heading at the latter started 8 Sakers  
& Sheets off ends So lat by obs 20° 09' N  
34 42 W

Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
steering by the wind heading at 2 p.m.  
two sails in sight at 9 p.m.  
3 vessels in sight the middle part fair  
ship heading at N<sup>W</sup> E to N<sup>W</sup> E at  
6 at the one vessel in sight saw  
grampuses the latter part heading  
at N<sup>W</sup> E saw more grampuses  
ends So lat by obs 22° 14' N  
long by obs 95 05 W

Friday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
this day begins with light breeze  
steering by the wind heading N<sup>W</sup>  
at 3 p m three vessels in sight at 6 p m  
heading at by E the middle part pleasant the  
latter part light air ends at lat 29 18 N  
long by chron 31 24 W

Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air heading  
from N by E to N E by E at 4 p m two  
vessels in sight the middle part light air  
& calms at 7 o'clock light air from the N  
W the latter part steering by the wind heading  
E of N on the port star ends at lat 30 28 N  
long by chron 33 46 W

Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air from the N  
sent down the fore sail & took off 18 inches  
off each leech at 4 p m bent the fore sail  
at 6 p m heading E of N the middle  
part calm the latter part light air  
ends at lat by obs 28 10 N  
long by chron 35 10 W

Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with a light air heading  
E by S by the wind the middle part calm  
the latter part light air steering N E  
by N saw 3 vessels ends at lat 28 28 N  
long by chron 34 36 W

Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze  
from the S W sent down the main  
top & sail to repair & bent arose  
at 6 p m wind N W steering off E  
by N the middle part fair wind at  
5 o'clock the fore top gallant backstays  
strengthened the latter part put up a per  
center & day fresh breeze at lat 27 13 N

long by chron 34 36 W



Remarks on board the Bark President <sup>cont</sup>  
1864

See account

Wednesday March the 23<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes at 2 p m  
specially took <sup>in</sup> the light sails with W steering  
at 4 p m set the light sails at  
4 p m light air & raining considerable old sea  
from the N at 8 p m with N E light  
air & raining steering by the wind heading N  
on the starboard tow the middle part of the  
breeches took in the light sails heading  
N by E to N E at 6 o'clock put one reef  
in the fore topsail the latter part light  
showers of rain ends so last by obs 28 40 N  
long by obs 34 45 W

Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong easterly wind  
steering by the wind heading from N E  
to N E by E at 2 p m set the light sails  
aft & fly jib at 6 p m all sail set the  
middle part took in & filled the light  
sails specially & raining at 8 o'clock put  
one reef in the topsails which set E by  
S compass blowing strong in specially the  
latter part the same ends so last by obs 30 28  
long by obs 34 41 W

Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with moderate gale  
at 2 p m took in & filled jib & spanker & main  
sail at 6 p m last reef the fore topsail  
the middle part heading N by W  
at 6 p m more moderate at 8 p m set the  
mainsail the latter part shook out reefs  
& set jib and after sail ends so  
last by obs 31 30 N  
long by obs 36 00 W

of New Bedford being captured the vessel  
on touching the 26th

this day begins with fresh breezes with  
considerable swell steering by the wind heading  
N at 9 p m heading N by E & E the middle  
part all sail set. N by E at 6 o'clock  
light sails in at 7 o'clock took in the  
sprinker at 10 o'clock put a reef in the  
topsails & furled the main sail & jib  
steering N by E wind SE ends 50

lat by obs 33° 06' N  
long by guess 33° 30' W

Sunday the 27th

this day begins with a moderate gale  
blowing hard in squalls at 2 p m furled  
the fore topsail & lost reef the main & left  
to the wind the fore topsail brace block split  
sent up another the middle rain light air  
& a heavy swell at 6 p m made sail  
the latter part evening squalls blowing  
fresh in squalls ends 50 lat by obs 34° 05' N

long by obs 36° 12' W

Monday the 28th

this day begins with fresh breeze  
& considerable swell one sail in sight  
steering by the wind heading from  
N by E at 10 o'clock the middle part  
having shortened & made sail the latter  
part wind N by E 50 ends lat by obs 34° 53' N

long by obs 36° 12' W

Tuesday the 29th

this day begins with light breezes  
sent down the fore & main topsail & lost  
the sprinker at 2 p m wind N by E steering  
N by E the middle part pleasant light  
air & calms the latter part two sails  
in sight ends 50 lat by obs 35° 13' N

long by obs 35° 58' W



Remarks on board the Bark Resident  
sea and coast  
Wednesday March the 30<sup>th</sup>

date  
1864

this day begins with light breeze  
from the S.W. steering E. at 6 will  
sail set the middle part fair the latter  
part repaired the old main top sail & segels  
in sight ends so lat by obs 36° 25' N  
long by Chro 34° 22' W

Thursday the 31<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze  
from the southward steering E. at 1 p.m.  
steering E. the middle part cloudy the  
latter part strong breeze same as said  
& a bluish ends so lat by obs 39° 52' N  
long by Chro 31° 59' W

Friday April the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
from the southward steering by the wind  
heading E. by S thick haze & raining  
at 9 p.m. light sails in steering  
S. E. by E the middle part calms &  
light airs heading E. raining at daylight  
foggy wind S.W. steering E. S. E. all sail  
set saw three sails at 8 a.m. saw fire  
bearing E. by S the latter part steering E.  
by S ends so lat by obs 38° 26' N  
long by Chro 28° 28' W

Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
& hazy at 1 1/2 p.m. saw the island of Pagal  
at 9 p.m. Capt Gifford went ashore at 5 p.m.  
the boat came off took up & washed out of  
the passage with a strong breeze from  
the S.W. the middle part laying in  
of the passage at daylight but the  
breeze at 1 a.m. it came to anchor at  
Pagal the latter part broke out & cooled  
the oil raining ends so

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Pagol the 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with strong breeze from  
the S.W. received potatoes and tar & put  
ling stuff & sent the fly jibboom in shore  
to be fitted at 4 p.m. took the anchor down  
the anchors & chain at 4 p.m. suddenly put  
the ship under reef topsails all above offstage  
heaving S.W. blowing fresh in squalls  
at 6 p.m. raising at 7 p.m. all wore ship  
heaving S.E. by the wind at 8 p.m. we  
raised the latter part squally & rainy  
ends so

Monday the 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a moderate gale  
Pagol 4 miles distant bearing S at 2 p.m.  
we furled the foresail & at last reefed the  
fore & main top sails blowing a gale  
heaving W by N at 6 p.m. saw one  
sail at 8 p.m. steering by the wind  
heaving W & W by S squally the  
middle part heaving W by S at daylight  
fair wore ship heaving S S E at 6 p.m.  
all saw the land made sail the latter  
part strong breeze ends so

Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
at 2 p.m. off the harbour of Pagol sent  
the boat on shore at 5 p.m. boat came  
off the middle part laying off the island  
latter part put out the iron for the  
fly jibboom & sent up new fore top of  
bark 3 top <sup>ends so</sup> at 5 p.m. sent the boat on

Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> shore & Capt. Gifford came on board  
at 4 p.m. steering S E all sail  
set the middle part fair the  
latter part one sail ends <sup>at 3 p.m.</sup> 334  
so  
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See account

Thursday April the 7<sup>th</sup>

date  
1864

This day begins with a fresh breeze from SSW steering E by S at 4 p.m. saw phinlock & a piece of lumber took in the light sails the middle part put one reef in the fore top sail the latter part steering E by E ends South by 90° 29' N  
long by thro 24° 29' W

Friday the 8<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breeze from the SSW steering S by E the middle part steering by the wind heading S by E the latter part steering S by E ends So  
lat by guess 40° 10' N  
long by thro 21° 10' W

Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze foggy & raining steering S by E all sails set at 8 p.m. pleasant wind at 11 the part fair the latter part light breeze ends So  
long by thro 38° 35' N  
long by thro 18° 43' W

Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from the SSW steering S by E saw phinlock & a sail the middle part calm the latter part light breeze from the E steering by the wind heading S by E ends So lat by obs 38° 08' N  
long by thro 17° 40' W

Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from the eastward at 6 p.m. freshening S by E the middle part the ship heading E by S at 11 p.m. the ship heading S by E the latter part saw two vessels ends So  
lat by obs 38° 13' N  
long by thro 16° 38' W

of our headquarters Design Gifford Martine  
Tuesday April the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from  
the eastward heading S E by S by the wind one  
sail in sight the middle part cloudy at 6  
at 10 raining, the latter part fair the ship  
heading at E by E ends so lat by obs 38° 26' N  
long by Chro 15° 00' W

Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air at 9 p.m.  
calm at 12 p.m. light breeze from the N  
at daylight saw three vessels & one steamer  
the latter part repaired the fly jib saw a  
sulphur bottom ends so lat by obs 38° 15' N  
long by Chro 13° 56' W

Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze  
from the N W steering S E by E  
at 4 p.m. past the stern of the Du  
The Matjen of Bremen saw sulphur  
bottoms the middle part fair the latter  
part saw a steamer & several sails  
ends so lat by obs 36° 32' N  
long by Chro 14° 28' W

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
steering S E by E & E the middle part  
light fair from the S S W steering  
by the wind heading S E all sail  
Set the latter part squally took in  
light sails ends so lat by guess 36° 42' N  
long by Chro 08° 43' W

Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breeze  
& squally & raining steering S E saw  
sphenbach's & two sails the middle part  
fair the latter part two vessels in sight  
& sulphur bottoms all round the horizon  
ends so lat by obs 38° 44' N long by Chro 8° 00' W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
saw account Sunday April the 17<sup>th</sup> date  
1864  
this day begins with light breezes from  
the N<sup>W</sup> steering E S E at 2 p.m. the brig ship  
and at sunset shortened sail for  
cruising the middle part fair at day  
light made sail saw phinbacks the  
latter part one sail in sight & land  
ends so lat by obs 35° 33' N  
long by chro 89° 20' W

Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
at 2 p.m. saw a sail & breaches  
phinback at 4 p.m. spoke the Bark  
and kept fisher gulls on board at  
sunset shortened sail heading in shore  
the middle part came ship at day  
light made sail the latter part several  
sails in sight ends so lat by obs 35° 01' N  
long by chro 89° 41' W

tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
saw in sight & showery saw phinbacks & several sails  
at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part calm at daylight saw three sails  
& one steamer the latter part light  
air made all sail ends lat by obs 35° 01' N  
long by chro 89° 41' W

Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light air saw  
porpoises & phinbacks land in sight  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
fair at daylight made all sail saw por  
poises land in sight the latter part  
fished the main top of gale ends so  
lat by obs 35° 14' N  
long by chro 86° 32' W

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1864

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light airs from  
the W saw porpoises & one sail land in sight  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
calm at daylight light air made sail at  
6 p m fresh breeze the latter part saw  
porpoises land in sight ends so lat by obs 35° 01' N  
long by Chro 72° 31' W

Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with light airs & calms  
saw grampuses at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part calm at daylight made sail  
the latter part saw porpoises ends so lat by obs 34° 53' N  
long by Chro 72° 41' W

Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light airs & calms  
saw porpoises at 5 p m raining land in sight  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air & raining at sunrise made sail saw  
porpoises the latter part & two sail ends  
so lat by obs

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes & squally  
& raining land in sight saw several schools  
of porpoises at sunset shortened sail the  
middle part squally at daylight made  
sail at 1/2 of 11 o'clock stay parted the  
latter part squally & raining ends so  
lat by obs 35° 08' N

Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>

long by Chro 72° 04' W  
this day begins with strong breezes  
from the N W & squally saw the Dark  
wave at sunset shortened sail three sails  
in sight the middle part cloudy at daylight  
set fore sail the latter part spliced the  
jib stay & set it taut & bent the jib & set  
the jib & spanker land in sight ends so  
lat by obs 35° 25' N long by Chro 68° 8' W



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1864

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Tuesday April the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breezes  
saw a number of sails at 4 p.m. more  
moderate at sunset shortened sail the  
middle part light breeze at daylight  
made all sail the Bark was in sight  
the latter part repaired the old fore  
top sail ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 25' N$

long by obs  $0914 W$

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs  
land in sight sent down the fore & main  
top sails & put up the old ones at 5 p.m.  
the spoke the wave at sunset light air  
the latter part repaired the mainsail saw  
blackfish & porpoises ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 16' N$

long by obs  $0723 W$

Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes  
& pleasant saw blackfish at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light air  
at daylight land 20 miles distant made  
all sail the latter part repaired the  
old main top of sail & bent it saw  
porpoises ends so lat by obs  $34^{\circ} 42' N$

long by obs  $0718 W$

Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm at 2 p.m.  
light air repaired the gaff top sail  
at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part light breeze at daylight made  
sail the latter part saw blackfish  
& porpoises ends so lat by obs  $34^{\circ} 38' N$

long by obs  $0806 W$

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of New Bedford Bay in Gifford Harbor  
 Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>  
 this day begins with fresh breeze  
 one sail in sight saw porpoises at  
 sunset shortened sail the middle  
 part pleasant the latter part light air  
 all sail set ends so lat by obs 34° 45' N  
 long by thro 0° 47' W

Sunday Aug the 1<sup>st</sup>  
 this day begins with light air saw  
 porpoises & grampuses the middle part  
 light air at daylight made sail at 6 A.M.  
 steering N of N E at 8 A.M. saw sperm whales  
 at 8 1/4 towards all three boats at 12 A.M.  
 wind & whales gain upon us to the N.E.  
 boats & miles off ends so lat by obs 35° 13' N  
 long by thro 73° 14' W

Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 this day begins with a light breeze  
 boats in chase at 1 1/2 the larboard boat  
 struck one & killed him the other two  
 boats in chase at 2 P.M. the gauge up  
 the chase at 2 1/2 commenced to tow with  
 all the boats at 4 1/2 P.M. along side  
 & flukes got ready & at 5 1/2 P.M. commenced  
 to cut at 4 1/2 P.M. lashed down the pence  
 for the night all sail furled but top sails  
 and the top reefed at 8 P.M. fresh breeze  
 ship heading N by E the middle part  
 strong breeze at daylight ruged at 5 1/2  
 A.M. commenced cutting at 11 A.M. finished  
 her cutting sent down tables & broke  
 out back ends so lat by obs 35° 14' N  
 long by thro 08° 09' W

Manned with 100 men these whales





Remarks on board the Bark President  
saw account Tuesday May the 3<sup>th</sup> <sup>date</sup> 1864  
this day begins with strong breeze  
& rough clear away the haze & started  
the work's were ship heading S by E  
saw 4 sails the middle part rough  
employed hauling the latter part saw  
rainish ends so lat by obs 29.48 N  
long by obs 9.48 W

Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong breeze  
employed hauling saw Bulwerbottom  
make sail at 3 p. 11 more moderate  
the middle part pleasant at daylight made  
sail the latter part light air & calms  
saw porpoises land in sight ends so  
lat by obs 29.48 N

Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> long by obs 6.48 W  
this day begins with a calm at 1 p.  
in light air at 2 1/2 p. in finished hauling  
one sail in sight the middle part light  
air & calms at daylight saw blackfish  
the latter part calm employed stowing  
down & pumping water ends so  
lat by obs 34 N

Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> long by obs 9.41 W  
this day begins with light air & hazy  
at 4 p.m. calm at sunset shortened  
sail light air the middle part fair  
at daylight made sail finished stowing  
down 48 lbs the latter part fresh breeze  
saw one sail ends so lat by obs 35.34 N

Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> long by obs 9.54 W  
this day begins with a fresh breeze  
at 2 p. saw blackfish at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part raining at daylight  
light made sail at 6 AM ship back's all round  
at 9 o'clock land in sight & one sail  
ends so lat by obs 33.23 N long by obs 06.40 W



of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>

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this day begins with light breeze at 4  
p m a thunder squall took in sail  
raining the land in sight the middle part squally  
at daylight saw the Bark waic at 4 o'clock saw  
the Benja Franklin Bark the latter part squally  
& raining some phinbacks ends so lat 43° 20' N  
long 66° 50' W

Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>

166  
this day begins with strong breeze & squally  
at 3 p m more moderate at 4 p m spoke  
the Benja Franklin saw porpoises the  
middle part fair wind all day at daylight  
made all sail saw porpoises the latter part  
light air & calm ends so lat 43° 11' N  
long 66° 11' W

Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup>

166  
this day begins with light breeze from  
the W the vessel heaving S by E three vessels  
in sight at sunset shortened sail at day-  
light made all sail the latter  
part waic in sight ends so saw phinbacks  
lat 43° 43' N  
long 67° 17' W

Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup>

166  
this day begins with light breeze  
saw phinbacks at 6 p m saw  
3 sperm whales 4 points off the lee bow  
3 1/2 miles off towards all three boats  
after sunset the leeward boat got  
lost on the whale's under water see the  
boat at 8 p m came and boarded  
& took up the boats & shortened  
sail & lay to aback the middle part  
light breeze at sunrise braced forward  
& made sail at 6 o'clock saw phinbacks  
the latter part steering different courses  
saw the Bark waic & Benja Franklin ends so

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see account Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> 1864  
this day begins with light breezes saw  
porpoises at 2 p m three sails in sight  
at 4 p m spoke the Bark frankling & got  
a second hand cutting fall at sunset took  
in the light sail the middle part heading  
to the Northward & westward at daylight took  
Ship heading to the eastward one sail in  
the latter part two sails in sight land  
in sight ends so lat 64° 35' 00" N  
long by chron 07 10 W

Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong breeze  
at 4 p m two Ship land in sight saw  
blackfish at 8 p m two ship at sun  
set shortened sail heading & by compass  
the middle part pleasant at sunrise made  
sail land in sight the latter part light air  
saw three sails ends so lat 64° 12' N  
long by chron 07 07 W

Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes  
from the N E heading N E 1/4 W by the wind  
tackled the main topmast & top of mast back  
stays at sunset shortened sail benjamin  
frankling in sight the middle part fair  
at sunrise made sail two sails in sight  
the latter part saw porpoises ends so lat 64° 59' N  
long by chron 7 18 W

Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes saw  
porpoises one sail in sight at sunset shortened  
sail land in sight the middle part at sunrise  
made all sail the bark benjamin frankling in sight  
saw porpoises at 8 a m at 5 p m thick fog the lat  
ter part the same ends so lat 64° 11' N  
long 7 11 W

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master

Monday the 16th

this day begins with light breeze & thick fog at 2 p m clear breeze freshening in sight at sunset Shortened sail the middle part calm at day light light air the latter part foggy saw porpoise ends so lat by obs 34 48 N long by obs 68 09 W

Tuesday the 17th

this day begins with light air & foggy at 4 p m clear & calm at 2 p m saw the wreck & B. frankling light becomes employed taking the head stays at 5 p m finished at sunset Shortened sail the middle part fair at daylight made sail the latter part saw several schools of albacore ends so lat by obs 34 48 N long by obs 68 09 W

Wednesday the 18th

this day begins with light breeze out 4 1 p m saw sperm whales on the weather beam gone quick to the W S W hauled all three boats the starboard boat struck first the waist & larboard boat struck the starboard boat iron drawn took the other two boats whales along side & fluked at 4 p m at 4 1/2 p m commenced cutting at 5 1/2 p m finished the middle <sup>boat</sup> got ready for boiling at daylight started the work the latter part employed boiling ends so lat by obs 34 48 N long by obs 68 09 W

Thursday the 19th

this day begins with light breeze employed boiling at 8 p m fresh breeze saw two sails at sunset Shortened sail the same in sight the middle part calm at daylight light air m ab all sail saw several sails at 8 1/2 p m finished boiling the latter part saw porpoises ends so lat by obs 34 52 N long by obs 68 16 W

Mr. Wiley & William Jennings saw these whales



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date  
1869

See account

Friday May the 20<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze  
at 4 1/2 p m Spoke the Bark's wake  
& began frankling at sunset shortened  
sail the middle light air at daylight  
made sail saw blackfish the latter  
part 3 sails in sight & a steamer end 3

Lat by obs 34° 54' N

Long by Chron 07° 28' W

Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with a light breeze  
from the northeast steering S W at sunrise  
shortened sail the middle part fresh  
breeze & thunder at daylight more material  
employed breaking out to stow down  
oil at 8 o'clock light breeze all sail set  
the latter part finished stowing down  
the oil 40 bbls ends Lat by obs 34° 50' N

Long by Chron 07° 43' W

Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with light breeze  
& having finished stowing off the hole  
sail porpoises at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part calm at sunrise  
made sail the latter light airs & calms  
saw porpoises & land ends Lat by obs 35° 00' N

Long by Chron 06° 45' W

Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

this day begins with light airs saw  
fish boats the wake & Bu frankling in  
sight at 4 p m light breeze out.  
Sunset shortened sail the middle  
part light airs & calms at daylight made  
sail the latter part saw two sails

ends Lat by obs 35° 03' N

Long by Chron 07° 08' W

of New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master  
Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze from  
the N<sup>W</sup> Saw phinbacks & porpoises at sunset  
Shortened sail the middle part light air  
at daylight made sail the latter part  
saw two sails in sight ends at lat 35° 05' N  
long 67° 00' W

Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze & squally  
saw porpoises at sunset shortened sail the  
Bu franklin in sight the middle part light  
air & calms at daylight made all sail  
the latter part calm saw porpoises & albatross  
ends at lat by obs 35° 05' N  
Thursday long by obs 67° 00' W

Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a calm at 1 p m light breeze  
at 4 p m saw the bark's wake at sunset.  
Shortened sail the middle part rainy  
at daylight fresh breeze made sail  
saw phinbacks & blackfish the latter  
part 4 vessels in sight ends at lat 34° 51' N  
long by obs 68° 54' W

Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a fresh breeze  
land in sight at sunset. Shortened sail  
the middle part calm & light air at daylight  
made sail the latter part one sail in sight  
saw porpoises calm ends at lat 34° 51' N  
long by obs 68° 54' W

Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a light air employed  
taking the rigging with it at 5 p m  
wind at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part fair at daylight saw blackfish made  
sail Bu franklin in sight the latter  
part saw porpoises ends at lat 34° 56' N  
long by obs 68° 20' W

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Light breeze



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sea account Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May 1864  
this day begins with light breeze Senior  
franklin in sight saw albatrosses at  
sunset shortened sail the middle part  
pleasant at daylight made sail the latter  
part saw albatross & porpoises ends S O

Monday May the 30<sup>th</sup> lat 35° 34' N  
long 139° 07' 50" W  
this day begins with light breeze saw  
porpoises at 3 1/2 p m saw a sail Senior franklin  
in sight at sunset shortened sail the middle  
light air at daylight saw the bark make  
sail at 4 o'clock calm at 10 o'clock light air  
the latter the same employed tacking the  
standing rigging ends lat 35° 32' N  
long 139° 07' 18" W

Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light air from  
the Westward saw blackfish employed  
tacking the standing rigging at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light air  
at daylight made sail the latter  
part saw porpoises & albatross ends S O

Wednesday June the 1<sup>st</sup> lat 34° 34' N  
long 139° 07' 27" W  
this day begins with light breeze  
the Bark Senior franklin in sight at 9  
p m calm at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part light breeze at sunrise  
made sail the latter part employed tacking  
the larboard side of the mizen rigging ends S O

Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> lat 34° 21' N  
long 139° 07' 38" W  
this day begins with light breeze at 4 1/2 p m  
saw blackfish at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part fair at sunrise made  
sail saw blackfish the latter part light  
air & calm ends lat 34° 39' N long 139° 07' 28" W

Friday June the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
of New Bedford Began Gifford Marston  
this day begins with light breeze at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part fair  
the sunrise made sail the latter part light  
air ends so lat by obs 35 04 N  
long by obs 70 41 W

Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze saw  
two sails at 5 p m saw a ship at  
sunset shortened sail land in sight  
the middle part light air at daylight  
vessels in sight one hailing land in sight  
made sail saw porpoises at 8 6 m saw white  
water streak for it the latter part light  
air ends so lat by obs 35 13 N  
long by obs 70 08 W

Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air the Brig  
Franklin in sight one vessel hailing  
land in sight at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part fair the sunrise made sail  
two vessels in sight saw blackfish  
the land in sight the latter part  
saw porpoises ends so lat by obs 35 23 N  
long by obs 70 04 W

Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breeze land in  
sight at 5 p m spoke the Bark Annawan  
Capt howland 170 bls all to the at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light  
air at daylight saw 3 vessels made sail  
saw porpoises the land 20 miles distant  
the latter part saw fishboats ends so  
long by obs 70 34 W  
lat by obs 35 15 N



# Remarks on Board the Bark President

Lat. 13° 64'

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Tuesday June the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the N. W. saw porpoises & one sail the middle part light air at daylight saw rope spantel & 3 sails the latter part saw plinches & porpoises ends so lat. by obs 33° 20' N long by obs 06° 45' W

Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from the N. W. at 2 p.m. saw the Bark Annawan & frankling at 5 p.m. saw porpoises land in sight at sunset shortened sail the middle part light air at daylight made sail two sails in sight the latter part saw porpoises ends so lat. by obs 34° 42' N long by obs 07° 01' W

Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes from the N. W. at 2 p.m. took in the light sails two sails in sight at sunset shortened sail land in sight the middle part light air at daylight made sail saw porpoises the latter part light air & calms ends so lat. by obs 35° 05' N long by obs 07° 11' W

Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes saw two sails at 2 p.m. took in the light sails at sunset shortened sail the middle part fresh breeze at daylight saw three sails at sunrise made sail the latter part Bark Annawan in sight saw porpoises ends so lat. by obs 33° 05' N long by obs 06° 35' W

of New Bedford Benja Gifford Master  
Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze  
& rough sea phinbacks at sunset shortened  
sail land in sight the middle part light  
breeze at daylight made sail saw  
phinbacks & one sail at 12 o'clock the fore sails  
the latter part heavy ends so lat by obs 38° 12' N  
long by chron 69° 00' W

Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes  
at 5 p.m. strong breeze from the N. saw  
a sail at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part light breeze at daylight made sail  
saw three vessels & phinbacks the latter part  
air ends so lat by obs 38° 13' N  
long by chron 69° 23' W

Monday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs land in  
sight saw porpoises the middle part  
breezy under short sail at daylight  
made sail at 4 p.m. saw two vessels  
at 8 o'clock spoke the Benja Franklin  
& got 3000 tons the latter part cloudy  
& heavy ends so lat by obs 38° 14' N  
long by chron 69° 04' W

Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes saw  
porpoises one sail in sight at sunset  
saw white matter 4 miles off shortened sail  
the middle part light air at daylight one  
sail in sight made sail the latter part  
the fore topmast stay the old one partish filthy  
it set it taut ends so lat by obs 39° 30' N

Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the N.  
employed rattling the mizen rigging the  
lat 38° 12' N Starboard side saw cowfish at sunset shortened  
long 69° 05' W sail the middle part raining at daylight fair  
made sail the latter part two sails in sight ends so



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Thursday June the 16<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes  
saw the annawan employed ratting the  
main rigging at sunset Shortened Sail  
the ~~middle~~ part light breeze at daylight  
saw the Benja frankling & annawan  
bark in sight calm at 8<sup>th</sup> it all lighter  
air the latter part employed ratting the  
main rigging ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 54' N$   
long by chro  $86^{\circ} 46' W$

Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from  
the N saw porpoises the sunset Shortened  
Sail the middle part fair at daylight made  
sail saw 3 sails the latter employed set  
the Starboard main topmast rigging hant  
ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 11' N$   
long by chro  $89^{\circ} 37' W$

Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with fresh breezes from  
the N & employed ratting at sunset Strong  
breeze shortened sail the middle part  
light breeze at daylight saw a steamer  
at sunrise made sail the latter part  
strong breeze ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 02' N$   
long by chro  $89^{\circ} 09' W$

Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with strong breezes took  
in light Sails at 8 p m saw the bark at sunset  
shortened Sail at daylight made sail at 6  
p m saw a steamer at 8 it all saw the  
Benja frankling the latter part saw  
porpoises ends so lat by obs  $35^{\circ} 09' N$   
long by chro  $86^{\circ} 58' W$

Monday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
of den Barkport Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master  
this day begins with strong breeze  
land in sight & one vessel at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light  
air & pleasant at daylight saw the land at sun  
rise made sail one vessel in sight the latter  
part employed cutting the starboard sail the fore &  
top mast rigging saw blackfish ends so lat by obs 35° 05' N  
long by Chro 08° 20' W

Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes employed  
about the rigging the bark begin furling  
in sight at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part light air at sunrise made sail saw  
three vessels the latter part employed about  
the rigging saw grasshoppers ends so lat by obs 35° 40' N  
long by Chro 08° 28' W

Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes steering S W  
employed about the rigging the Benj<sup>n</sup> furling  
in sight at sunset shortened sail heading S W  
the middle part fresh breeze at daylight  
saw one sail the latter part steering differ  
ent courses ends so lat by obs 34° 32' N  
long by Chro 08° 44' W

Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes from  
the N E the Benj<sup>n</sup> furling in sight  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air at sunrise made sail saw two  
vessels at 8 o'clock calm ship heading all round  
at 10 o'clock light breeze set the main  
top of backstays ends so  
lat by obs 34° 14' N  
long by Chro 09° 42' W



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Friday June the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the North  
one vessel in sight watch employed about ship's  
duty at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light breeze at sunrise made sail the latter part  
employed breaking out leaft the main hatch & put in  
the ground tier ends so lat by obs 34° 25' N  
long by chro 07 33 W

Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes from the N Saw  
one vessel employed filling the ground tier with salt water  
at 2 p m finished & at 4 p m stowed off at 4 1/2 p m saw  
grampuses at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air at sunrise made sail the latter part  
calm & light airs ends so lat by obs 34° 49' N  
long by chro 07 06 W

Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs & hazy saw  
two vessels at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part pleasant at daylight thick fog at 6 1/2  
p m lit up made all sail the latter  
part saw the benja franklin & anna  
ends so lat by obs 35° 31' N  
long by chro 07 04 W

Monday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light airs at 2 p m  
saw the bark at sunset calm shortened  
sail the middle part light air & calm the  
daylight saw the bark benja franklin & anna  
at sunrise made sail the latter part employ  
rattling the fore & main rigging the larboard  
side light breezes & hazy ends so  
lat by obs 35° 31' N  
long by chro 07 04 W

of New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master  
Tuesday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the W  
at 1<sup>st</sup> W saw porpoises employed sailing at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part light air  
at sunrise made sail at 6<sup>th</sup> fog, the Bashi  
benj<sup>n</sup> frankling in sight calm at 10<sup>th</sup> all  
capt<sup>n</sup> brady came on board the calm  
ends so lat by obs 35.04 N  
long by chro 66.40 W

Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm at 1 p.m.  
light air employed employed sailing and  
sailing at sunset shortened sail and capt<sup>n</sup>  
brady went on board the middle part fair  
at sunrise thick fog at 4<sup>th</sup> fog cleared up  
made sail the latter part set the barboard fore  
& main topmasts rigging saw porpoises & phinback  
one sail in sight ends so lat by obs 35.22 N  
long by chro 66.15 W

Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the  
N.E. steering different courses at 5 p.m. a change  
longitudes with annotations brig at 6 p.m. wind  
N.E. steering 1<sup>st</sup> W by W the middle  
steering 1<sup>st</sup> W light breeze the latter  
part light air steering 1<sup>st</sup> W by W  
watch employed at different jobs ends so  
lat by obs 35.32 N  
long by chro 66.35 W

Friday July the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light breezes at  
5 p.m. freshened saw one sail steering by the  
wind at 6 p.m. heading 1<sup>st</sup> W by W 1<sup>st</sup> W  
1<sup>st</sup> W the middle part the same the latter  
part light breezes ends so  
lat by obs 35.28 N  
long by chro 66.44 W



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Saturday July the 2<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the N at 4 p.m. saw a sail at 4 p.m. light air heading N by W to N by W the middle part light air the latter heading N by W ends so lat by obs 35° 30' N long by obs 128° 4' W

Sunday the 3<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the N by E steering by the wind heading N by W to N by W saw two sails the middle part light air the latter part the same saw greenhouses ends so lat by obs 35° 30' N long by obs 142° 0' W

Monday the 4<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light air saw two vessels & a Steamer steering by the wind heading from W to N by W the middle part light air the latter part employed scraping the larboard side & cleaning ironwork ends so lat by obs 35° 27' N long by obs 151° 8' W

Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the Northward heading from W to W by W employed scraping & painting at 4 p.m. finished the larboard side the middle part heading W the latter part the ship heading N by E with light air & canvas employed scraping & painting the Starboard side ends so lat by obs 35° 10' N

Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light air the ship heading W by W at 4 p.m. finished painting the middle part heading W by W the latter part saw porpoise & three sails ends so lat by obs 35° 02' N long by obs 163° 30' W

of our suspect Brig. Giffard there  
Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & calm at 3 p m  
we were Ship heading S E at 8 1/2 p m the  
Ship heading W N W with the middle  
part light air the latter part calm  
pointed the helm's ends so lat by obs 35 17  
long by obs 17 03 W

Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with calm at 4 p m light air we were  
Ship heading S E & vessels in sight the middle  
part calm the latter part finished painting  
saw several sails ends so lat by obs 35 16  
long by obs 17 04 W

Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from  
the westward at 5 p m with S W with  
a light shower of rain at 10 p m rain squally  
wind S E steering S W by S light breeze  
the middle part the same the latter  
part fair steering by the wind heading from  
W N W to S W three sails in sight ends  
so lat by obs 35 42 W long by obs 18 20 W

Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a fresh breeze from the  
S E steering by the wind heading S W  
by W to S W the middle part heading S W  
S W to S W by W the Ship's distance of  
observed the latter part heading S W by S  
to W N W ends so lat by obs 35 34 W  
long by obs 20 48 W

Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze &  
heading S W by the wind the middle part  
heading S W by S squally & raining the  
latter part heading S W by S to S  
saw porpoises cloudy & hazy ends so  
lat by obs 34 58 W  
long by obs 22 27 W



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Tuesday July the 12<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the N by W the ship heading N by E at 4 p m wind N by S & foggy the ship heading W by N at 6 p m heading N by W the middle part fair the latter part light air the ship heading N by E ends so lat by obs 35 12 N  
long by obs 35 12 W

Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> long by obs 34 W  
this day begins with fresh breezes at 4 a m strong breeze took in the light sails at 6 1/2 p m heading N by E wind N by W the ship heading W by N the middle part set the light sails the latter part heading W to N at 4 p m ends so lat by obs 35 34 N  
long by obs 34 56 W

Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes at 4 p m the ship heading N by E at 2 1/2 p m wind N by E the ship heading N by W at 3 p m one sail in sight the middle part light air heading N by W at 6 p m the ship heading E at 7 1/2 a m the ship heading N by W the latter part light breeze with a light shower of rain ends so lat by obs 36 04 N  
long by obs 28 58 W

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze at 4 1/2 p m the ship heading E & I saw porpoises at 6 p m heading E to E 1/2 S wind N by E the middle part heading E the latter part heading E & the island of St. Mary in sight 46 miles distant at 8 a m saw porpoises light air ends so lat by obs 36 29 N  
long by obs 28 11 W

of New Bedford Senior Gifford Alarston  
Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air saw porpoises &  
grampuses at 4 p in the middle part of St Mary  
bearing of 6 compass instant 8 leagues  
the middle part light air & calms  
at 6 o'clock saw three sails the latter  
part calm <sup>island</sup> St Mary in sight 8 sails ends so  
lat by obs 36° 31' N

Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> long by obs 29° 28' N  
this day begins with a calm at 4 p in  
light air heading of by 6 the middle part  
calm at 6 o'clock 3 miles in sight 7 o'clock toward  
the harbor boat & went to one the Francesca  
17 days from New York the latter part calm  
at Mary island in sight ends lat by obs 36° 28' N  
long by obs 29° 28' N

Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm at 8 light air steering  
N. N. E the middle part the same at 6 o'clock light  
breeze at 10 o'clock wind N. E the ship heading  
N. N. W the latter part heading N. W with light  
air ends so lat by obs  
long by obs N

Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air the island  
of St Mary bearing N. N. E 1/2 W compass at 3  
p in wave ship heading E. N. E wind N  
the middle part light air & calms the latter  
the same employed paritting the mast heads  
so saw blackfish toward lat by obs 39° 00' N  
the boat know success long by obs 24° 12' W

Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & calms  
the island of St Mary in sight at 6 1/2 p in  
calm at 12 p in light air from the N. N. W  
heading N. N. E by the wind the latter part  
employed paritting spars ends so  
lat by obs 39° 10' N long by obs 24° 03' W



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Thursday July the 21<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the N. N. W. Steering by the wind headings N. E. by N. to N. E. at 8 p.m. the ship heading W. the island of St. Mary in sight at 6 p.m. finished painting the spars the middle part the ship heading N. E. the latter part the ship looks so long by Chron 24.23 W  
Lat by obs 39.16.1 P

Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the N. N. E. Steering by the wind heading N. W. at 1 p.m. saw the premier's boats bearing N. W. by N. at 4 p.m. saw St. Michael at 5 1/2 p.m. the ship heading E. at 10 p.m. the ship heading N. W. by N. the middle part light breeze the latter part light air. At 11 a.m. saw a sail upon which white sheet the N. E. point of St. Michael 30

Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day begins with light airs from the N. heading E. N. E. by the wind the N. E. end of St. Michael bearing N. by W. 1/2 W distant 30 at 12 p.m. picked up a cask of palm oil at 4 1/2 p.m. the ship heading N. W. by W. at 6 p.m. the N. E. end of St. Michael bearing N. N. W. distant 25 miles the middle part the ship at 8 p.m. saw two black bears towards a boat & found it empty the ship at 8.30 the ship heading W. N. W. inside of the latter part the ship saw scurvy ends so

the island of St. Michael  
the N. E. point bearing  
N. N. W. compass  
distant 15 miles

of New Bedford Bay in Gifford's Harbor

Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes at 4 1/2 p m the  
ship saw porpoises at 8 p m the ship heading E  
at 6 by the wind at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part were ship at sunrise made sail the latter one  
sail in sight saw grampuses St Michael point delga  
da bearing W by compass distant 28 miles ends so  
Monday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes steering by the  
wind heading N E one vessel in sight at sunset the  
ship heading E S E & shortened sail the middle  
part light breezes & cloudy at sunrise made sail  
the latter part squally & raining ends so the E end  
of St Michael bearing S W distant 28 miles

Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air steering W S W at 6  
p m steering by the wind at sunset the ship heading  
E & shortened sail the middle part were ship at  
sunrise made sail light air & raining the latter  
part raining & foggy the E end of St Michael  
bearing S S E by compass

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light air & raining at 2  
p m the ship at 6 1/2 p m were ship  
saw a steamer at sunset shortened sail  
at sunrise made sail one sail in sight the latter part  
haunted the spair craft cruising of the S E side  
of St Michael distant at 12 at 11 4 miles ends so

Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from the W  
at 6 p m steering by the wind heading N all sail set  
the middle part pleasant heading N E W  
by the wind the latter part heading N W by  
W ends so lat 43 38.33 N  
long 71 26.09 W



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Friday July the 28<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes from the Westward at 2 p.m. saw Terceira angra one of the western islands at 6 p.m. heading S<sup>W</sup> with light airs the middle part heading S<sup>W</sup> to S<sup>SW</sup> at 6 o'clock saw porpoises the ship heading S<sup>W</sup> by W the latter part light airs more ship ends so lat by obs 33° 00' & N long by Chron 26° 31' W

Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breezes at 3 p.m. the ship heading W<sup>SW</sup> at 4 1/2 p.m. the middle part of the island of Terceira angra bearing S<sup>W</sup> by S at 6 p.m. heading W by S 1/2 S by the wind which S<sup>W</sup> the middle part light airs & calms at 5 o'clock saw two sails the latter part saw porpoises & two spare ends so the island of Terceira bearing S<sup>W</sup> the S<sup>E</sup> with

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with light airs & calms at 2 p.m. heading S<sup>W</sup> the island of Terceira distant 16 miles two vessels in sight the middle part calm at sea & old light airs at 10 o'clock of port p.m. & the boat went on shore to see about water ship laying off ends so

Monday August the 1<sup>st</sup>

This day begins with light airs ship laying off & on at 1/2 p.m. the boat came on board at 6 p.m. one sail in sight heading S by compass the middle part light airs & calms at 7 1/2 o'clock the sloop Gifford went on shore set a raft of 4 casks to get water the latter part two sails in sight calm ends so laying off the port p.m.

of New Bedford begin. Gifford March  
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this day begins with light air & calms laying  
off & on at portugal received potatoes & onions  
& water on board capt. bradley came on board  
at 7 p m. I took off shore & capt. bradley went  
on board the middle part light air at 7 o'clock  
the ship saw porpoises three vessels in sight  
the latter part off the N side of the island  
of Terceira ends so

Wednesday the 3<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breezes from S W  
to S W working to windward at 8 p m spoke  
the french frigate & the bark Roscoe Capt.  
Chambers the middle part steering by the wind  
heaving S E at 1 o'clock a shower of rain at  
6 o'clock the ship heading W to W of N  
3 vessels in sight saw the island of Graciosa  
ends so

Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air heading W of  
N by compass wind S at 4 p m Graciosa bearing  
S W 1/2 W by compass the island St George in  
sight the middle part light air & calms the  
latter the same saw porpoises ends so

Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a light air St George  
Graciosa & Terceira in sight at 8 p m St George  
head 12 miles distant bearing S W 1/2 W at  
4 p m squally the middle part light air  
at 8 o'clock at 5 m of the land Capt. Bout & Capt.  
Gifford went on shore at Fayal the latter  
part laying off & on at Fayal ends so



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this day begins with a fresh breeze from  
the N<sup>W</sup> laying off & on at the port of payal  
at 1 1/2 p m the boat came off with potatoes  
received them on board & took up the boat  
at 6 p m sent the on shore at 6 1/2 p m  
came off bringing the rest of the recruits  
the middle part laying off the harbour  
of payal at 7 1/2 o'clock sent the on shore  
at 11 o'clock capt. Gifford came on  
board made sail at 12 o'clock steering  
N<sup>W</sup> by N ends so

Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes from  
the N<sup>E</sup> steering N<sup>W</sup> 1/2 N saw grampuses  
& caught the middle part steering N<sup>W</sup>  
at 5 1/2 o'clock made sail in sight & the  
island of Flores the latter part light  
air saw porpoises & grampuses ends so  
Sath 40 38 35 N

Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> long by 30 30 6 N  
this day begins with light air at 3 p  
m spoke the ship Lancer capt. Allen  
the middle part steering by the wind  
heaving N<sup>W</sup> to N<sup>E</sup> the middle  
at 3 p m 3 sails in sight at 8 p m a  
boat from the Lancer came along side  
capt. Allen came on board to get a cask  
of bread delivered the same the cask returned  
at 9 o'clock capt. Allen went on board the latter  
part steering by the wind ends so Sath 40 38 35 N

Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> long by 31 42 N  
this day begins with a light breeze from  
the N<sup>E</sup> saw grampuses at 4 p m sent aboard  
the old fore & main topsails & the top of the main  
& bent the spare wires the middle part steer-  
ing N<sup>E</sup> by E the latter part employed washing ship  
saw grampuses ends so Sath 40 31 22 long by 32 46 N

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze & pleasant steering  
N by E saw grampuses at shortened sail for  
crossing the middle part steering N by E  
at sunrise made sail one sail in sight  
the latter part employed painting ship in  
side saw grampuses ends so lat by obs 40° 50' N  
long by obs 33° 07' W

Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with a calm with a heavy  
swell at 2 p m light air employed painting  
saw grampuses at 6 p m calm finished paint-  
ing with shortened sail the middle part light  
breeze at daylight saw a vessel make sail at 6  
p m had a rain squall the latter part fair  
painted under the house overhead ends so  
lat by obs 40° 22' N

Friday the 12<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light breeze from the  
N by W ship heading W by the wind at 2  
p m heading N by W one sail in sight the  
sunset shortened sail the middle part  
light air steering N the latter part air  
from the southward saw one vessel painted the  
vessel in side 8 p m so lat by obs 40° 16' N  
long by obs 33° 03' W

Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>

This day begins with light air steering  
N by W by compass two sails in sight  
at 2 p m saw porpoises at sunset shor-  
tened sail the middle part light breeze  
at sunrise saw two sails the latter part  
painted the larboard & waist boats in side  
saw grampuses steering N by compass  
ends so lat by obs 40° 06' N  
long by obs 34° 40' W



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This day begins with light breeze from the SSW at 2 1/2 p.m. spoke the schooner Saccanus of Providence at 4 p.m. 3 vessels in sight at sunset shortened sail the middle part pleasant at sunrise strong breeze set jib & spanker at 8 a.m. squally & raining took in the jib & spanker & put one reef in the top sails the latter part under close reef top sail & foresail & top mast staysail ends so

lat 41° 48' N

Monday the 15th long 74° 00' W  
This day begins with a strong breeze & squally with considerable sea heaving at 4 p.m. wind WSW at 2 1/2 p.m. more moderate make sail saw a ship back at sunset close ship & shortened sail the middle part fresh breeze at daylight made sail the latter part squally took in the light sails ends so lat 40° 49' N

long 74° 00' W

Tuesday the 16th  
This day begins with squally & raining weather heaving WSW at 9 p.m. heaving W by compass saw porpoises at sunset shortened sail the middle part fair at daylight made sail saw two vessels at 8 a.m. saw grampus blowing a moderate gale ship under easy sail the latter part heaving S.W. ends so

lat 38° 41' N long 74° 15' W

Wednesday the 17th  
This day begins with a moderate gale from the W. at 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. more ship heaving at 3 1/2 p.m. more ship heaving W. at 5 p.m. squally at sunset the middle part squally & raining at sunrise made all sail on sail in sight the latter part light breeze ends so lat 38° 40' N

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long 74° 15' W



at New Bedford Began Gifford Johnston  
Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light breeze the bark  
made in sight at 4 p.m. Squally & raining  
took in the light sails heading N by W  
campus at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part rose ship rising at daylight saw the bark  
made at sunrise made all sail the latter part  
fresh breeze heading S W by W to W S W fair  
sails in sight ends so lat by obs 38° 03' N  
long by chron 38° 25' W

Friday the 19<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh N W breezes  
steering by the wind heading W S W one sail  
in sight saw porpoises at sunset took ship heading  
N by E & shortened sail the middle part strong  
breeze at sunrise Squally set the jib & spanker  
& mainsail the latter part took in the jib & spanker  
& mainsail & furlled them blowing strong & angled  
ends so lat by obs 38° 12' N long by chron 38° 21' W

Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a strong breeze from the N W  
keeping to N by W at 4 p.m. saw blackfish at 4  
p.m. wore ship heading W by campus saw  
porpoises at sunset more made at the middle  
part pleasured at sunrise made sail at 6  
at 6th made set the light sails light breeze  
the latter part heading S by E ends so  
lat by obs 38° 34' N

Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with fresh breeze from  
the southward & eastward at 4 p.m. wore ship  
heading N by E saw breeches at 4 p.m. small  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part  
squally & raining at sunrise made sail at 6 p.m.  
took in all sail to close right fore & main  
top sails & fore top mast stay sail were set  
heading S W one the starboard tack blow-  
ing a gale took up the boats & put at the hatch

ends the latter part  
saw still continued star  
wardward



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This day begins with a gale & a short sea at  
4 p m squally & raining at sunset more moderate  
between squalls the middle part heading S W  
at 6 o'clock the wind to the northward more ship the  
latter part sea more regular heading N W  
at trade the pump & iron water ends so

Monday the 23<sup>rd</sup> lat 37° 45' N  
long 118° 53' W  
this day begins with a gale at 2 p m filled  
the fore topsail at 3 1/2 p m wind to the northward  
& westward more ship heading S W at sunset  
set the fore topsail close reefed the middle part  
pleasant at sunrise set the fore sail at 8 o'clock  
shook out one reef on the main topsail & set  
jib & spanker heading N W by compass  
wind N E at sunset the same ends so

Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> lat 37° 36' N  
long 118° 43' W  
this day begins with strong breeze & rough  
& squally took in jib & spanker at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part the same  
at sunrise made sail jib & spanker  
the latter part rainy & squally & saw one  
sail ends so lat 38° 11' N  
long 118° 32' W

Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong breeze  
& squally at 4 p m saw a breach  
off the lee quarter ran for it at 2 1/4 p m  
saw a sperm whale then a sperm whale  
going quick to windward left by the wind  
whales 3/4 of a mile off the lee quarter went  
down boats all ready to kill whales came  
up off the weather quarter made sail  
when last saw them breach they were 4 miles  
off the weather beam at sunset shortened  
sail to close reef topsail & fore sail

offshore of Shanghai  
these whales



of our Bedford Benja. Gifford Master  
the middle part blowing a gale furlish the fore  
sail at 6 & all heading N. E. at 8 & the furlish  
the fore top sail the latter part wore ship  
heading S. W. on the starboard the ends so

Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> Lat by obs 40° 00' N  
Long by obs 38° 31' W  
this day begins with a gale at 1 p.m.  
more moderate at two p.m. set aloft reef  
fore top sail at 3 p.m. made sail heading  
S. W. at sunset the ship heading S. E. shortened  
sail the middle part raising the latter the  
same ends pleasant Lat by obs 38° 11' N  
Long by obs 40° 00' W

Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with a strong breeze  
& rough sea gale & spanker heading S. W.  
wind at 4 p.m. wore ship  
heading N. E. by 1 at sunset shortened sail  
the middle part pleasant at sunrise made  
all sail the latter part light breeze  
heading S. W. wind S. E. ends so

Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup> Lat by obs 38° 14' N  
Long by obs 38° 51' W  
this day begins with light breeze & pleas-  
ant steering by the wind heading S. E. by 4  
at sunset shortened sail the middle part fair  
at sunrise made all sail the latter part saw  
porpoises took in the fly jib & gaff top sail  
squally & rainy ends so Lat by obs guess 38° 14' N  
Long by guess 40° 25' W

Monday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong breezes & rainy at 3  
p.m. light sails in at 5 p.m. fore top sail short-  
enough put in spare lengths raising aloft reefed the  
fore top sail & furlish the courses the middle part  
strong winds in squalls at sunrise made sail the  
latter part all sail set saw two sails ends so  
Lat by obs 38° 33' N Long by obs 41° 22' W



Remarks on board the Bark President date  
sea account Tuesday August the 30<sup>th</sup> 1864  
this day begins with light breezes steering by the  
wind heading E S E wind at 6 p m saw a  
sail at sunset shortened sail the middle part heading  
E at daylight were ship at sunrise made sail  
saw two vessels at 6 a m spoke the Bark Rosea  
of new Bedford catch ommember cutting & boiling  
a 22 bls whale the latter part saw blackfish  
going quick to windward ends so lat by obs 38° 00' N  
long by obs 41° 22' W

Wednesday the 31<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh breezes from the  
E S E heading S by compass at 2 1/2 p m saw  
sail at 6 p m the ship at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part pleasant at sunrise made  
all sail saw a vessel under short sail at 8 a m saw  
a schooner boiling & a bark with double topsail  
yards the latter part heading S by E ends so  
lat by obs 38° 30' N

Thursday September the 1<sup>st</sup> long by obs 48° 36' W  
this day begins with light breezes & pleasant  
steering different courses wind E N E by compass  
at 6 p m two sails in sight at sunset shortened  
sail the middle part pleasant at sunrise made  
all sail one sail in sight the latter part repaired  
at the foresail ends so lat by obs 38° 10' N  
long by obs 48° 17' W

Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
this day begins with strong breezes took in  
light sails at 3 p m the ship heading S by  
at 6 p m saw a sail at sunset the ship  
& shortened sail the middle part fair at  
daylight made sail the latter part heading  
S by E ends so lat by obs 38° 43' N  
long by obs 41° 12' W

Saturday  
New Bedford Benj<sup>n</sup> Gifford Master  
September the 3<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes from the  
eastward two ship heading S by E at 4 pm  
steering S by E at sunset shortened sail heading to  
Southward the middle part fair at sunrise raising the  
latter part pleasant steering S by W ends so

Lat by obs 38° 54' N

Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup>

Long by Chron 42° 40' W

this day begins with light breezes from the South  
steering S by E at sunset shortened sail heading  
to the eastward the middle part were ship h<sup>o</sup>ld  
to the S by W at sunrise made sail saw  
two vessels at 10 o'clock towards a boat went to  
the bark Helen Wallace Capt Stanton bound to  
Liverpool the 10<sup>th</sup> o'clock took up the boat  
the latter part light breeze ends so

Lat by obs 38° 50' N

Monday the 5<sup>th</sup>

Long by Chron 42° 06' W

this day begins with light breezes from  
the westward steering by the wind heading  
S by W by compass pleasant at sunset  
shortened sail the middle part fair at  
daylight saw two sails at sunrise made  
sail fresh breezes from the W at 6 o'clock  
more ship heading S by W the latter  
part much the same ends so

Lat by obs 40° 28' N

Long by Chron 42° 28' W

Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes from  
the westward & hazy saw two vessels & por  
poises at sunset shortened sail the middle  
part strong winds at sunrise set the foresail  
the latter part two sails in sight ends so

Lat by obs 38° 52' N

Long by Chron 41° 18' W



Remarks on board the bark President

Wednesday September the 7<sup>th</sup> 1864

this day begins with strong breezes from the westward heading S by W by compass at 6 p m spoke the jaws of New Bedford capt ens 12 days from New Bedford capt. Gifford went on board for papers at 6 1/2 p m wore ship & shortened sail to single reef topsails heading N W by the wind at sunrise strong breeze set the foresail the latter part one sail in sight at 12 et ab filled the foresail & close reefed the fore & main topsails ends so lat by obs 40° 00' N long by obs 44° 20' W

Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a moderate gale laying under close reef fore & main topsails & staysail at 6 p m wore ship heading S by W the middle part wind N W at daylight wind N E by compass the latter part steering W made sail ends so lat by obs 38° 52' N long by obs 42° 20' W

Friday the 9<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong winds & rough steering W by obs by compass at sunset shortened sail the middle wind S S W at sunrise set the courses jib & spanker the latter part strong winds & a heavy swell ends so lat by obs 38° 40' N

Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> long by obs 43° 00' W

this day begins with strong winds from the S W steering by the wind heading W by obs to W at 3 p m saw a brig at 6 p m rough at 8 1/2 p m took in jib & spanker at 12 et ab filled courses & close reefed the topsail at 4 1/2 et ab parled the fore topsail blowing a moderate gale & a high sea, the latter the same ends so lat by obs 38° 15' N

long by obs 44° 45' W

Sunday

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
the 11<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a gale from the S W ship heading  
N W by W to N W by W with a rough sea at 4 p m  
more moderate at 4 1/2 p m make sail at 6 p m  
shut out reefs & tar ship heading S W by compass  
at 10 p m all sail set at 10 1/2 m light breeze  
from the S W the ship heading N N W at 6 1/2 m  
over ship the latter part light airs & calms ends so

Lat by obs 38° 12' N

Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>

Long by Chron 49° 30' W

this day begins with a calm one sail in sight  
at 4 1/2 p m light breeze set all sail heading  
N W by W to N N W at 5 1/2 p m  
Saw a sail the middle part heading N at 6  
at 10 the ship heading S S E at 10 1/2 m  
the ship heading N W ends so Lat by obs 38° 31' N

Long by Chron 49° 10' W

Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh S W breezes  
at 1 p m the ship heading S at 5 1/2 p m  
the ship at W the middle part heading  
N W by N to W at 8 1/2 m saw a sail  
the latter part heading W ends so

Lat by obs 38° 29' N

Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup>

Long by Chron 46° 51' W

this day begins with strong southerly  
winds steering by the wind heading N W  
by compass the middle part pleasant the  
latter part light breeze ends so

Lat by obs 38° 04' N

Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup>

Long by Chron 48° 25' W

this day begins with light breeze from  
the S S W at 1 p m the ship heading  
S E to S E by S the middle part pleasant  
at 6 1/2 m the ship heading N W by S the latter  
part saw two brig's gone to the eastward  
ends so Lat by obs 38° 33' N 38° 39'

Long by Chron 48° 43' W



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Friday before the 16<sup>th</sup> 1864

this day begins with light breezes from  
the S steering by the wind heading S by  
W with pleasant weather painted iron work  
the middle part heading W S W with a fresh  
breeze the latter part heading W to W  
by S ends so lat by obs 36.43 N  
long by obs 56.38 W

Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes from  
the Southeast steering by the wind heading  
W to W by N the middle part heading  
W by compass at 6 o'clock saw a ship back the  
latter part squally & raining ends so  
lat by guess 36.90 N  
long by obs 56.40 W

Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes from the  
southeast & westward steering by the wind  
heading W. N W to W at 8 p m light  
showers of rain at 6 1/2 p m wind W the  
middle part pleasant heading S W by  
by the wind at 4 1/2 o'clock the ship heading  
it by W at 6 1/2 o'clock wind N W the  
ship heading W S W the latter part  
wind N E steering W. N W ends so  
long by obs 56.22 W

Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> lat by obs 36.37 N  
this day begins with light N E breeze  
steering W by N saw porpoises the middle  
part wind E the latter part wind S E squally  
good painting water ways ends so lat 36.34 N  
long by obs 56.00 W

Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light S E wind steering  
W by N at 1 p m steering W at 4 p m wind  
S S E saw a sail the middle part wind S W  
the latter part W by N S W & squally  
took in sail ends so lat by guess 36.24 N

long 56.30 W

Wednesday

of New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
September the 21<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with fresh breeze from  
the westward set the light sails at 1 p m took  
in light sails at 4 1/2 p m wind S W the ship  
heaving W S W by compass at 6 p m set the  
light sails the middle part light air & calm  
at 6 o'clock light air from the eastward at 8  
o'clock light breeze from the south steering W  
the latter part saw one sail ends so

Lat by obs 36.10 N  
Long by Chron 88.35 W

Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with light breeze from the  
S steering W by it all sail set & pleasant  
the middle part wind E the latter part  
wind from E to S E saw grasshoppers ends so

Lat by obs 38.43 N

Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Long by Chron 88.41 W

this day begins with light air & calm at  
1 p m light from the S W steering by the  
wind heaving W S W at 6 p m heaving  
W at 10 p m wind E steering W. it W and  
heaving at 12 1/2 fair the latter part pleasant  
with light eastley winds ends so Lat by obs 38.45 N  
Long by Chron 60.54 W

Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with light winds from the  
east steering W by it E by compass the  
middle part steering W by it the latter  
part saw a sail ends so Lat by obs 38.54 N  
Long by Chron 62.43 W

Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breeze from the  
S E steering W with all sail set at 6 p m  
took for top a 3rd sail at 10 1/2 p m took in light  
sails equally at 12 p m set light sails at 2 o'clock  
steering by the wind heaving W by it at 4 o'clock  
sail to single reef the latter part clear respect

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Monday September the 26<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze from the S<sup>W</sup> steering by the wind heading N<sup>W</sup> to N<sup>E</sup> equally the ship under close reef topsails & courses heading N<sup>E</sup> at 4 p m heading N<sup>E</sup> the middle part strong winds & rough sea at 4 ad m heading N<sup>E</sup> set jib & spanker the latter part whole topsails heading N<sup>E</sup> to N<sup>W</sup> by 4 m

lat by obs 38.32.11  
long by obs 67.01.44  
tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with strong N<sup>W</sup> winds at 1 p m heading N<sup>E</sup> at 3 p m saw a sail at 6 p m heading N<sup>E</sup> by S the middle part heading N<sup>E</sup> by N the latter part light air heading N<sup>E</sup> to N<sup>W</sup> by 4 m saw a sail ends so lat by obs 38.14.11  
long by obs 68.18.11

wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light air & calms at 3 p m heading N<sup>E</sup> the middle part calm at 6 ad m light air from the S<sup>E</sup> the latter part two sails in sight ends so  
lat by obs 38.24.11

thursday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light breezes from the S<sup>E</sup> steering N<sup>W</sup> by N all sail set the middle part fresh winds at 6 ad m saw a schooner the latter part steering N<sup>W</sup> by comp us one sail in sight ends so lat by obs 38.20.11  
long by obs 70.17.44

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New Bedford Benjamin Gifford Master  
Friday the 30<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with fresh breezes from  
the S.E. at 1 p.m. steering N.W. by W. at 4  
p.m. saw or sail the middle part in the  
stream at 7 1/2 d. d. out the stream employed  
taking down the works Michael Silva had  
first spell at most head caused by a rush of blood  
to the head brought him down where he soon recover  
ed at 10 d. d. over the side board steering  
N.W. cleared the iron work & pots & lashed  
the pots ends so lat by obs 36. 50. 10  
long by Chron 72. 07 W

Saturday October the 1<sup>st</sup>

this day begins with light air from the  
Southward steering W. by N. sent down the  
cutting pennants & put the boats gear in a  
cask & craft below at 7 p.m. wind S.W.  
& cloudy the middle part light air & calm  
at 3 d. d. wind W. a light air at 5 d. d. all  
light air from the N.E. heading it on the  
Starboard side at 7 d. d. fresh breeze the latter  
part saw one sail took in fore top. G. sail  
ends so

Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup>

this day begins with a strong N.E. wind  
to S.E. steering by wind heading it to  
N.W. took in light sail at 2 1/2 p.m. d.  
put one reef in the topsails fogg & raining  
at 3 p.m. took in jib & spanker ship heading  
it to N.W. at 5 p.m. close reef the topsails  
& furled the mainsail & set the main spencer  
at 6 p.m. sounded 40 fathoms know bottom  
at 8 p.m. more moderate at 12 p.m. sounded 40 fathoms  
& bottom at 3 d. d. same depth at 4 d. d. sounded  
& line partish lost sea lead light air from the E.  
heading N.W. at 6 wind S.E. made all sail, raining  
at 8 d. d. wind S.W. steering N.W. by N. the latter  
part cloudy & changeable & fogg ends so

Lat by obs 36. 53. 10  
Long by Chron 72. 07 W



Remarks on board the Bark President  
Monday October the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1864

this day begins with light S.W. winds  
steering N.E. by E. cloudy & foggy at 10 p.m.  
with N.E. steering by wind heading E. by S. to  
E. S.E. at 3 A.M. the ship heading N.W.  
by N. at 6 A.M. saw a brig the latter part  
sent down main royal yard ends so  
Wm T. B. lat by obs 38° 46' N  
long by obs 73° 04' W

Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with light N.E. winds steering  
by the wind heading N.W. to N. at 4 p.m.  
light air at 6 p.m. shore land 22 fathoms  
gravel bottom at 1 p.m. wind still steering N.E.  
by N. at 6 A.M. saw several vessels at 8 A.M. saw  
the land at 11 A.M. fair island light  
bearing N.W. by N 8 miles distant steering E. by  
N. N.E. ends so

Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup>  
this day begins with fresh S.W. winds steering  
E. by N. at 1 p.m. saw several vessels at 5 p.m.  
Shinnecock light house bearing N.E. distant  
7 miles cables up & chains bent at 12 p.m. saw  
montauk light at 6 A.M. saw block island the  
latter light air ends so

Shinnecock was changed N. of N.  
Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with a calm block island  
bearing N. distant 14 miles S.E. point at 3 p.m. light  
air from the S.E. steering N.E. by N. several  
small vessels in sight saw a steamer at 5 1/2  
p.m. the N.E. end of block island bearing N.W.  
distant 14 miles at 6 p.m. light breeze  
from the S.W. the middle part steering  
N.E. by N. at 6 A.M. Capt. Gifford sent his things  
a shore to westport at 4 A.M. took a pilot

Boston

Bark President II. William James Robinson  
June 6<sup>th</sup> 1877 1 Pound Tobacco

Edwin R. Chacewick 1 lb. Tobacco

John Allan 1 do 90¢

Franklin 1 do 90¢

Peter Great 1 do 90¢

June 13<sup>th</sup> 1877 Peter, Jackknife 60¢

Mayden do 60¢

June 12<sup>th</sup>

June 8<sup>th</sup> 1877 Bismark 1 lb. Tobacco 90¢

W. Cook 2 lb. Tobacco 180

Mr. Manchester 2 180

Cooper 2 180

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Bark President in Capt New Bedford W<sup>m</sup> J. Robinson  
Master

June 7<sup>th</sup> 1844

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Mr. Briggs raised Whales  
10. Landed 2 Boats. Landed 10 Whales  
to the windward Boats came on board 3 p. m.  
St. End. Thers. 26.

In Dominica 26. 1844

Harriet 1 kot.

Joe 1 kot.

Chadwick 1 kot.

Allan 1 kot.





A list of provisions consumed on board

Date of month	Year	Bread	Flour	Colasses
June 1st	1844	1 bush	2 bags 1/4 each	an ulage bush
July 3rd	1844	1 bush	2 bags 1/4 each	one bush 110 gal
July 27th	1844	1 ulage	2 bags 1/4 each	one bush 55 gal
July 12th	1844	1 bush	2 bags 1/4 each	one bush 108 gal
July 20th	1844	1 bush	2 bags 1/4 each	one bush 100
Aug 23rd	1844	222 bags 1/4 each	Sept 26 bush	54
Sept 15th	1844	4 lbs	4 bags 1/4 each	
Sept 13th	1844	1 bush	1 bag 1/4 each	
Sept 20th	1844	4 lbs	4 bags 1/4 each	
Sept 17th	1844	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
Oct 4th	1844	1 bush	7 bags 1/4 each	
Oct 10th	1844	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
Nov 12th	1844	63 1/2 bush	22 1/2 bags 1/4 each	
Nov 24th	1844	4 lbs	1 bush 2 1/4 bags 1/4 each	
Dec 20th	1844	1 bush	1 bush 2 1/4 bags 1/4 each	
Feb 3rd	1845	5 lbs	1 bush 13 1/2 bags 1/4 each	
March 12th	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
March 24th	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
April 4th	1845	5 lbs	4 bags 1/4 each	
April 7th	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
April 21st	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
May 20th	1845	5 lbs	4 bags 1/4 each	
May 27th	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
May 31st	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
June 5th	1845	5 lbs	4 bags 1/4 each	
June 22nd	1845	1 bush	6 bags 1/4 each	
June 25th	1845	1 bush	4 bags 1/4 each	
July 5th	1845	1 bush	3 bags 1/4 each	
July 24th	1845	4 lbs	1 bush 16 bags	
August 14th	1845	5 lbs	1 bush	
Sept 21st	1845	1 bush		
Sept 26th	1845	1 bush		
October 5th	1845	1 bush		
Oct 21st	1845	1 bush		
Oct 28th	1845	1 bush	3 lbs	
Nov 2nd	1845	1 bush		
Nov 12th	1845	1 bush		

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1 keg May 18<sup>th</sup> 80. L.B. 10<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> W.B. 10

1 keg June 18<sup>th</sup> 80. L.B. 10<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> W.B. 10

544.20 gallons

570.20 gallons

1114.40 gallons



A List of provisions consumed on board			
Date of time	Baf.	Boat	Grain Flour Molasses
September 18		1 bush	
September the 24	1 lb		John Allan
December the 7	1 lb		Beston
December 18	1 lb	1 bush 14 bags	Kap
Dec. 25		1 bush	
December 30	1 lb	List of provisions consumed On board	
Barque <i>La Providence</i>			
January the year 1864			
January 1	1 lb		2 all one bush 84
do - - 20		1 bush	
do - - 30	1 lb		
February 12	1 lb	1 bush 14 bags	
February 20		1 bush	
do - - 26	1 lb		
March the 4	1 bush 14 bags		Charles Adrien Scavo. Honor
March 10	4 lbs	3 Shirts 2 1/2 pair	
March 22	1 lb		
April 10	4 lbs	1 bush 14 bags	
April 18		Edelston	1 bush 85
May the 6		1 bush	
May the 22	1 lb	Tork	100 pounds
June 3	4 lbs		Spent 1/2 of it
June 17		1 bush	1 bush 14 bags
July 12	3 lbs		in
do - - 24	4 lbs		
July 28		1 bush	
August 2			1 bush 84
do - - 8	Salute the tower one bush 14 bags		
August 18	4 lbs	one bush 14 bags	
September 10	4 lbs	one bush 14 bags	
William Hayden			
Wareham Massachusetts			

Edmund

Edwin R. Chadwick

Cape Cod

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> 74

W. D. America

Sailed from New Bedford

Captain Will

Captain Henry

Georg

George Walter Adams

3 Shirts

Barque



Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Tobacco account.

Company

Cooper 2 lbs Tobacco  
Manchester 2

Crout 2

This week

Allan 1  
Chadwick 1

1/2

1/2

Company

Peter 1  
Hayden 1

Henry Parrott

Joe 1

James Town

Geo

George E W

Saint Helena

Atlantic

George Walker

Cape of Good Hope

Barque

H

Henry Parrott

Henry Parrott

James Town

St Helena



# Journal of Barque President

Captain D

E D

John

Edwin B

Dawn

Job

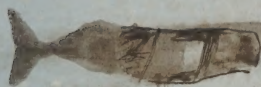
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M<sup>z</sup> Dours

Mr George

W Wh

William



L

Dours



Dours

1 Bassett

W

W. Whales caught on board Barque President  
Feb. 15, 1915 H

P

Kals

R

R

Edwin

P

R

B B

B

18100  
4-  
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30  
36  
16  
20



